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Hector: Cat About Town
Notorious Gossip

A story comes from America of an employer who was compelled under the New Deal to raise the wages of certain of his employees six dollars a week. Being rather annoyed about it, he called the employees together, and told them that in future he would fine them a dollar every time they were a minute late. "And," he added, "if you're not a minute late six times a week—you're fired!"

A story comes from Germany of a taxi-driver who drove Hitler to a meeting without recognizing him. On arrival at the hotel, Hitler asked him to wait. "I can't do that, sir," was the reply. "I want to get home. I let's speech is being broadcast, and I wouldn't miss the opportunity of hearing so great a man." The reply so pleased Hitler that he gave the driver fifty marks instead of ten. "Oh, thank you, sir," said the driver. "Confound Hitler! I'll wait."

"Now, look here," said the psychologist solemnly, "we must probe your case carefully. Your wife tells me you drink large quantities of beer." The patient nodded. "Now what I want to get at is the cause, and I'll guarantee to stop this habit inside a month," went on the specialist. "Cause?" queried the patient. "Exactly. What drove you to drink? A nagging wife, uncommensal work, frustrated ambition?" "Oh, nothing like that," responded the other. "I drink beer because I like it."

A story was told in the "Methodist Recorder" of a little girl who started her mother by saying in her prayers, "Bless thy little pig to-night." Her mother reminded her that she should have said "lamb." But the child preferred the new version. "I'm tired of being a lamb," she said, "so to-night I'm going to be a pig, and tomorrow I'm going to be an elephant."

Mike, badly injured in an accident, was rushed to a hospital where his wife soon followed. A surgeon went to the ward with her. At the door he saw a sheet was over the patient's face and said to her, "Madam, your husband is dead."

A voice from under the sheet said: "Now, I'm not." The wife replied, "Hush, Mike, the doctor knows best."

YESTERDAY'S QUOTATIONS

T.T. ON LONDON.—1/3 1d. (nom).

T.T. ON NEW YORK.—32 1/2

ROYAL AIR FORCE

Wing Commander Dolphin

London, Jan. 20. Wing Commander W. H. Dolphin, who has been placed on the retired list from January 20, at the age of 53, has had a long and varied experience in the fighting forces, during which he has worn naval, military and Air Force uniforms. In 1901-04 he served in the Lincolnshire Imperial Yeomanry. When the War began he entered the Royal Indian Marine as an assistant engineer, and was in H.M.I.S. Hardinge in operations in the Suez Canal and elsewhere. In January, 1916, he was appointed to the Indian Army Reserve of Officers and attached to the 23rd Sikh Pioneers, from which he was transferred to the R.F.C. in August, 1916. After service in the Middle East he became an equipment officer, 1st grade, and later was acting major (technical) in the R.A.F. Much of his subsequent service has been spent abroad in Egypt, India, Iraq, and Malak, but for the past two years he has been on engineering duties at Gosport base.

THE ARMY

Air Defence Commands

London, Jan. 20. The officers selected to command units in the new 1st Anti-Aircraft Division have all had experience of gunnery and lights in air defence. Lieutenant-Colonel F. R. Kirkland, of the 317th Searchlight Company of the Kent and Middlesex Group, takes over under the new title of the 38th (Middlesex) Anti-Aircraft Searchlight Battalion for duty in the Thames Group. Since the war he has been a fortress engineer and lights officer. Another officer for the Thames Group is Lieutenant-Colonel W. E. H. Cooke, O.B.E., of Tunbridge Wells. He takes over the 55th Anti-Aircraft Brigade, R.A., and has had long service with guns. He is in the Regular Army Reserve of Officers and has been commanding the 183rd Kent Battery, which is now raised to a brigade in the Thames and Medway Area. Colonel H. C. Murgatroyd, M.C., will convert as new O.C. the Post Office Rifles into a searchlight battalion, also for the Thames Group. He has for some time commanded the 58th Kent A.A. Brigade, and was major of the 20th Battery at Bromley before the conversion from medium to searchlight artillery. T. H. Sage of Devon, M.B., J. G. Smith, a native of Tring, and Corporal T. Vagle of Dartmouth.

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18.
Anniversaries and Holidays.—Blessed Stephen, John and Comd. Martyrs in China.
Cinema.
King's:—"Mutiny On The Bounty." Queen's:—"So Red The Rose." Oriental:—"The Big Broadcast of 1936." World:—"Chinese Picture." Alhambra:—"Mutiny On The Bounty." Majestic:—"Chinese Picture." Star:—"The Little Friend." Meetings.—Annual, Humphreys Estate and Finance Co., Ltd., at Hong Kong Hotel, 11.30 a.m.; St. Andrew's Club Committee Meeting, Kowloon Chess Club, 5.30 p.m.; Annual of Sports Club, 5.30 p.m.; St. Andrew's Church Mothers' Union, 3 p.m.; Kowloon Tong Anglican Church Fellowship Committee Meeting, 6 p.m. Miscellaneous.—Rotary Dinner, Hong Kong Hotel; Examination in Home Nursing, at P.W.D. Offices, 5 p.m. Rehearsals.—Final, of Hong Kong Singers, St. John's Cathedral, 8.45 p.m.; "Messiah." Social.—Soldiers' and Airmen's Christian Assn., H.K. Union Church Hall, 7.30 p.m.; Cheero Club Whist Drive, 8.30 p.m. Sports.
Badminton.—Men's Doubles, Fire Brigade v. Kowloon Tong; Chinese R.C. v. Elliot Hall "B"; Talkoo R.C. v. Club de Recreio "B"; Hockey.—Hong Kong Hockey Club v. Royal Welch Fusiliers (King's Park), 5 p.m. Rugby.—Club "A" v. an Army fifteen (Happy Valley), 5 p.m. Moon.—1 Moon, 28th Day. Sunrise.—5.54 a.m. Sunset.—6.21 p.m. Tides.—High at 15.57; Low at 0.53.
WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19.
Anniversaries and Holidays.—St. Valentine's, Bishop.
Auctions.—Crown Lands, at District Office, Tai Po, 11.30 a.m. Cinema.
King's:—"The Three Musketeers." Queen's:—"Front Page Woman." Oriental:—"The Murder Man." World:—"Chinese Picture." Alhambra:—"Navy Wife." Majestic:—"Chinese Picture." Star:—"Little Friend." Entertainment.—Performance of "Messiah," St. John's Cathedral, 9 p.m.; Concert at S. and S. Home, 8 p.m. Meetings.—K'loon Union Church Women's Guild, 10 a.m. Miscellaneous.—Fireworks Discussion, European Y.M.C.A., 9 p.m.; Visitors' Night at S. and S. Home. Social.—Dinner Dance at Craigengower Cricket Club, and Presentation to Mr. Beer, 8 p.m.; Whist Drive, Ballroom Home and Seagrams' Institute, 40 Gloucester Road, 9 p.m.; Dinner Party, S. and S. Home, 7.30 p.m. Sports.
Badminton.—Men's Doubles, St. Andrew's "A" v. St. Andrew's "B"; Fire Brigade v. Sailors and Soldiers' Home. Lawn Tennis.—Entries Close for Men's Open Singles and Open Doubles Championships, 6 p.m. Snooker.—Steel Coulson League, Royal Engineers v. Prison Officers, Civil Service v. Garrison Regiments; Naval Dock Yard Police v. Chief and Petty Officers' Dockyard R.C. v. Fusiliers' S. Patrick's v. Catholic Union. Moon.—1 Moon, 27th Day. Sunrise.—5.54 a.m. Sunset.—6.22 p.m. Tides.—High at 15.10; Low at 1.54.

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BOOK REVIEWS

BEAUTIFUL SONGS

Dark Night and other Poems.—By A. W. Simms Lee. Allensons, London, 5/-.

The author of this book of poems has been living in China for a number of years and is now in Shanghai. If it were not known that he has been engaged in religious work, the nature of some of his poems would indicate a strong interest in the metaphysical. Yet there is sufficient variety of poems to make the book interesting to those who are not inclined toward religious subjects.

It has been said that if a poet produces one or two gems out of a large number of ordinary poems he has achieved something really worth while. If that is so, Mr. Lee's work has been well worth while, for there are more than one or two real gems in this volume. "Mysterium Fuscum" is something that will not easily be forgotten by anyone who reads it. The poem dedicated to H.L.J.W. "At the War Memorial, Christ Church, Oxford," is pure poetry. "Physical Beauty" is another that ought to attract the attention of purists, though not the ordinary reader who wants the easily understood and the metre of the dance. To show something of the beauty of Mr. Lee's best work I quote a few lines from two of three of the poems:

And the spirit of man pressed on
And the mercy of God reached down
Till Mary sang to Her little Son
In the inn of a Jewish town.

I must believe, knowing how God is good,
That nothing beautiful can pass in Death

...bright dawnlight shines
Rosy on snowy peaks, while in deep, purple sleep.

The valleys lie, hushed by the harp of plumes.

There is a tendency to sacrifice verity for effect in some of Mr. Lee's work. For instance in the

last lines he uses the words "purple sleep." What is purple sleep? If colour is meant, in the sense that the valleys are wrapped in purple light, that should have been clearer expressed. And what is "The quiet, fragrant twilight of your hair." And how can he weave for you a robe out of starless night?

But these are minor defects and should not lessen the charm of the poems in which they occur.

The fact that poets of any worth in China are rare makes the advent of this new singer of beautiful songs important. He should be acclaimed. And if duty to the critic's code makes us comment a little unfavourably in regard to a good deal of his work, it would be undesirable and unfortunate if it had the effect of lessening the public's duty in regard to their reception of this addition to good poetry.

My complaint is that the poet is more concerned with words than with the effect of words. In reading this volume one reads on and on, finding the sequence of words rather monotonous until suddenly there stands out a thought that is important and beautifully expressed. And, of course, that discovery makes the labour of reading through line after line of words nicely enough arranged, to be sure but inconsequential in the main, well worth while.

The second part of the book is devoted to China. Here we see the influence of Tu Fu, Li Po and other Chinese poets, but Mr. Lee has given us, in some of the poems, pictures of scenes and events that rank high in the realm of descriptive poetry. The poems "Thief" and "On Famine Relief" are excellent. But if the book closed with that little masterpiece "The Flute, Mid-Autumn Night" one would put it down more fully bemused with the soft, plaintive, charm which the tones of the flute and the sweetness of the poems alike inspire.—Carroll Lunt.

NEW FICTION

Eden Phillpotts has written so many successful novels and has surely read so many enthusiastic

complimentary reviews that he, at least, will not object if in the present instance the reviewer first of all takes the opportunity here afforded of commenting on "The Heart of Things" article which appeared in "Chambers's Journal" Christmas number. Henry Leach has been contributing this article monthly for probably as many years as Phillpotts has been giving us pleasure with his novels, while the present reviewer—let him seek forgiveness for mentioning the matter—has himself been first a regular and latterly an occasional reviewer of books for some quarter of a century or more. To other reviewers who have not seen the present reviewer would suggest that Leach's article be as closely followed and enjoyed as his contributions are by all readers of "Chambers's Journal." He starts off with a picture which must please all book-lovers:

"The second book season of the year is at its peak and when the lover of books enters with a wild anticipation upon the brilliant scene that a well-stocked bookshop in the town presents, he has the sense of voices calling to him from the spirit of more than a million pages, exulting, 'Now stand you on the top of happy hours.'"

But it is rather Leach's strictures on book-reviewing one wishes to emphasize. He refers to the reviewers, many of whom, apparently, have the exceptional fortune to discover "masterpieces" in each season and proclaim them, indifferent to the fate of their chosen or worse. The old and experienced professional reviewers, whatever may be said against them, lay a limit upon their praises, and their pens would refuse to write it down that, after all their years of reading, they could still be captured for an all-night absorption in some new novel, instead of preparing themselves in the proper manner of restful sleep for the labours of the following day.

After all of which, one is unlikely to enter upon a series of super-

latives regarding Mr. Phillpotts' "Ned of the Caribbees" (Hutchinson, London, 7/6). Suffice it to say that it is a rollicking good story of adventure at sea and ashore, but mainly at sea, concerning a young Englishman who is "shanghaied" very early in life to find his home from home in the tropics, a home which like so many of his countrymen he will not willingly relinquish even for the satisfaction of returning to the land of his birth. It is extremely improbable that anyone—reviewer or general reader—will lose a night's sleep over "Ned of the Caribbees" but it is equally safe to say that the many lovers of Mr. Phillpotts' stories in the old country and abroad will enjoy this tale of a young English lad who spends the greater part of his life in getting into trouble to emerge successfully from it again. Mr. Phillpotts has descended in the last chapter or two to turn from adventure to love and the happy ending, but this in no way detracts from the appeal of the book—rather the reverse, inasmuch as it is true to life as showing that not all our seafaring adventures and their colourful lives on the yardarm.—J.W.F.

As Mr. Sydney Horler frankly admits in the foreword to his latest novel "The Vampire" (Hutchinson, London, 7/6), his critics will almost certainly tend to compare his story with Bram Stoker's famous "Dracula." He has, of course, found it necessary to use more or less the same materials. Yet, nevertheless, he has succeeded in writing an interesting and entertaining story which is certainly presented in a more readable form than the first great vampire novel. When he was first asked to write the story he demurred, but shortly afterwards the eerie tale of a man cursed with the vampire taint and moving in the society of London to-day began to form itself in his brain, and "The Vampire," which he wrote three times, is the result. Those blessed with a vivid imagination will find it less of a strain on the nerves if the book is read during the daylight hours, although to a hardened reader of

"thrillers" fullest enjoyment can only be obtained by reading it alone at night, with the wind howling outside, and the house full of strange creakings and whispers.—E.G.A.

In "Jamaica Inn" (Gollancz, London 7/6) Daphne du Maurier has given us an exciting story of Cornwall at the beginning of the last century. The inn from which the book takes its name, situated on the bleak and lonely moors, is the centre of a gang of wreckers, smugglers and murderers and to this bleak spot comes the farm-girl heroine to find herself involved in a series of wildly strange but perfectly probable adventures. Although written in the customary third person, the story is virtually told in the first person as the heroine—there is no hero worth mentioning—is never off the stage, all the action taking place in front of her. The character drawing is not so good, most of the characters being specially noticeable for their inconsistencies: what little love interest the story does possess lacks sincerity and would have been better omitted unless it could have been developed more. The background of the story is well done: wintry moors and marsh lands, high tides and stormy weather. In short, quite a good story, but some what lacking in finish.—H.C.F.

Clare Sheridan's "Genetrix" (Thornton Butterworth, London, 7/6) is a book the value of which will be realized by many and criticized by some. It deals with Mary O'Donnell, a war widow, who is left with a son Rory. Life becomes so unpleasant for Mary that she leaves for the Continent, where she has varied experiences with men of such a nature as to make the book undesirable for young readers. Mary's efforts to give Rory an education that will fit him to be a citizen of the world draws her into various complications, with the result that she is forced to make many sacrifices. The story is infinitely deep, complicated and subtle and many adult readers will delight in reading it.—W.H.C.

HERE AND THERE

Queuing Up.—The Egham Urban District Council have sent a complaint to the railway company about delays caused to traffic at the Pooley Green crossing due to the closing of the gates for an unnecessary length of time.

Over the Limit.—For driving a motor car at 43 m.p.h. a Rotherhithe man was fined 10s. at Basingstoke police court.

Play-time.—As a step towards the protection of children from the dangers of the roads, the Kent Ratepayers' Association has urged the Kent Council education authorities to allow open spaces and playing fields of all schools to remain open for longer periods.

An O.K. K.O.—Joe Louis, the boxer, is being given the very appropriate index mark K.O. for his car registered in Michigan State.

Not So Bad.—Has there been of late a tendency for such road accidents as do occur to be less severe than formerly? This seems to be the case, because the rate of reduction in fatal accidents (12.5 per cent.) has been much greater than that in the non-fatal accidents (5.5 per cent.).

Down to the Sea.—Part of North Street, Prittlewell, is to be widened at a cost of £16,500, and a Road Fund grant has been made to the Southend-on-Sea Corporation. North Street forms a continuation of the London-Southend arterial road, and is the main access to the sea front.

A Second-hand Trade.—Edinburgh motorists are complaining of the number of spare wheels stolen from cars left unattended.

Traffic Officer.—The U.S. traffic control expert, Mr. W. P. Eno, has been promoted to Officer of the Legion of Honour.

Coming Over?—There were 10,530 visitors landed in Great Bri-

tain from abroad during November last.

Sledding in the Streets.—While sledding down a street in Leeds a young boy of twelve was killed, his sleigh crashing into a motor lorry at the foot of the hill.

The Commissariat.—A canteen van has been added to the London Fire Brigade, for supplying refreshments to firemen who are engaged for long periods at fires.

Handwriting Expert.—Said by a motorist at Highgate police court: "The constable produced a notebook and took my name down in a flash."

Heated.—At Tottenham police court a motorist said: "The constable at the corner changed from red to amber and then to silence."

Big Things Have Small Beginnings.—When driving through Edentown, in North Carolina, a dog who was riding in the car with his master apparently sat on something sharp. He suddenly jumped in the air and landed on the steering wheel, causing the motor car to run into a lamp-post. Both car and the post were wrecked—and all the lights and telephones in the town were put out or order.

Necessary Speed.—A Harley Street doctor who was ordered to pay 10s. costs at Brentford for exceeding the 30 m.p.h. speed limit said that he was on his way to perform an operation when he received a very urgent call to attend a woman who was bleeding to death.

Over-confident.—A Perth man who stole a car from a parking place and drove off was involved in a collision with a bus. He went back to the parking place and took another one. He had another accident with this car. Result: appearance before the Perth Sheriff Court.

MOTOR JOTTINGS

High Adventure

A remarkable journey was recently concluded, on a Morris car, to British Nigeria and back, involving the double crossing of the Sahara desert. Tribute is due to the energy and courage of the three Englishmen who brought this attempt to a successful end, as well as to the car—an inexpensive British product—which was thus tested in "colonial conditions" of the most severe description.

The distance covered, some 6,000 miles by land, without recourse to a base, is alone an achievement of no small merit, whilst the nature of the route put a great premium upon reliability of serious personal inconvenience, even hardship and danger, in the desert were to be avoided.

The country traversed, from north to south across the Sahara, if not now uncharted, comes as near to motoring across totally unknown territory—relying upon the car, unaided, to reach the next source of supplies, three, four, and nearly five hundred miles distant—as can be imagined in these days of rapid land development.

It is of distinct general interest that on the outward journey from England to Kano, the objective, when a strict schedule was adhered to as closely as possible, the time taken by alternative methods of transport was beaten handsomely from "door to door."

Though it may not be easy to apportion credit fairly as between the mechanical and the human element in an endeavour of this nature, certainly additional evidence has been given that the spirit of adventure is not dead among us.

TROLLEY BUSES IN LONDON

LONDON.—A safety door to eliminate the dangerous practice of passengers jumping out or off an omnibus while it is in motion was on show here at the Commercial Motor Transport Exhibition.

This door, somewhat similar to the automatic doors used on London's underground railways, is operated by the driver. A press of a button when he starts the bus and the door shuts; a press when he is stopping and the door opens. In an emergency the doors can be opened from a handle inside the bus.

A special feature of this door is the "accident cushion" on the door pillar. Should anyone be caught by the closing door as he scrambles onto the bus at the last minute the door automatically opens itself enough to let him in.

Other entries at the exhibition ranged from fire engines and milk floats to rail cars and electric trolley buses.

The latest developments in transport were shown. The feature which many considered most striking was the great number of trolley buses on exhibition, showing the demise of the tram. A great many large towns in Great Britain are now said to be scrapping large sections of their tramways in favour of electric trolley buses. The southwest section of London's tramway was developed in this way only recently. Bourne-mouth Corporation is selling its old trams.

At the Commercial Transport Exhibition, 11 firms competed with

each other for orders from city transport authorities for their latest types of electric trolley buses.

The advance of coach travel was illustrated by the many competing firms showing luxury speed coaches for express travel. Every one of these coaches was streamlined.

Another advance illustrated by the exhibition was that of the heavy oil engine. Almost every manufacturer had several types of Diesel engine vehicles on show. One firm also exhibited an electric luxury coach.

A streamlined fire bridge canteen van attracted considerable interest. This running restaurant is intended for use on lengthy duties. There is a shelter for fire brigade officers at the rear. This modern canteen van was built to the requirements of the London Fire Brigade.

'DREAM' AUTOMOBILE PREDICTED BY 1946

INDIANAPOLIS.—Automobiles so much better than those of today that they challenge the imagination will be developed by the end of 10 years in the opinion of Ralph R. Teator, the next president of the Society of Automotive Engineers.

"They will not only be more economical in fuel consumption but they will give better performance, greater riding comfort, and be much more durable," he said yesterday. "The average mileage life of the present automobile is more than three times that of the 1926 cars. I anticipate as great progress in the next decade."

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London, Jan. 22. Philatelists of all nations mourn the loss of the King, who was the chief patron of their cult. With King George stamp collecting was a life-long hobby and one of the greatest pleasures of his life. As honorary patron of the Royal Philatelic Society, London, he was universally recognized as the leading philatelist, and his name is inscribed at the head of the roll of distinguished philatelists instituted by the Philatelic Congress of Great Britain, in token of his many services to the craft. What more fitting memorial tribute could be made than the issue of a stamp of mourning to be used and treasured by his sorrowing people just as in the past few months they have sought after and preserved those stamp tokens of a happier event, his Silver Jubilee? Other nations have been fit to honour the memories of their rulers and leaders through the medium of memorial stamps. Queen Astrid (of Belgium), King Alexander of Yugoslavia, and President Harding were among those to whom post-humous issues of stamps have been dedicated by their respective countries.

The public at large was inclined to accept as a mourning stamp the 7d. denomination of Great Britain which appeared in sombre grey shortly after the death of King Edward VII., although such was not the official intention. What might, equally well have been regarded as a memorial issue was the unissued 2d. stamp, prophetically printed in Tyrian purple, that was in readiness for release on the very day King Edward died. Only one copy was ever passed through the post, and that was, on a letter addressed to his late Majesty King George V. (then Prince of Wales) at Marlborough House, which so became one of the outstanding rarities in the Royal collection. The printing in grey of a 2d. stamp of Jamaica bearing the head of Edward VII., nearly nine months after his demise was, on the other hand, a considered tribute.

"I want a shave," said the sergeant as he climbed into the barber's chair. "No haircut, no shampoo, no run, witch-hazel, hair-tonic, hot towels, or face-massage. I don't want the manicurist to work on me, nor the bootblack to handle my feet. I don't want to be brushed down, and I'll put on my coat myself. I just want a plain shave, with no trimmings. Understand that?"

"Yes sir," said the barber quietly. "Lather, sir?"

DEFENCE AND SEA-POWER.—II

Changes Since The Great War: Britain's Naval Revival.

(By ADMIRAL SIR BARRY DUNVILLE, K.B.E., C.B., C.M.G.)

London, Jan. 25. The strength and composition of the minimum naval forces required to ensure the sea-communications of the British Empire being kept open at all times must depend largely upon the nature and geographical situation of the navies of the other Maritime Powers. There have been great changes in the distribution of world Naval Power since the War, which, together with the various agreements made to limit armaments have profoundly affected our naval situation.

Naval Forces can be divided conveniently into three parts—the Battle Fleet, the Cruisers and the Flotilla. The Battle Fleet, with its numerous satellites, is the shield behind whose shelter the cruisers and the smaller craft comprising the Flotilla carry out the actual work of clearing and protecting our oceanic and coastal communications. That is naval strategy in a nutshell.

The Battle Fleet is the sea phalanx, representing the ultimate appeal to force. It is possible this appeal may never be made and that the ships may remain in their strategic base, efficiently protecting their own small vessels against attack by the enemy battle fleet without weighing their anchors. During the four and a half years the Great War lasted our fleet was tested on one occasion—at Jutland—and then only partially. Hitherto the main battle strength has always been the contribution of the Mother Country to Imperial Defence, the various dominions supplying their quota of smaller vessels according to their inclinations and means. There has never been any recognised allocation of responsibility.

THE THREE NAVAL WORLD POWERS.

At the end of the Great War we possessed the largest fleet afloat in all classes of war vessels. Ever since 1904 we had been gradually concentrating our main strength in Home Waters to protect our sea-communications against the German menace. With the Treaty of Versailles this danger vanished. Quite recently, in the Anglo-German naval agreement, the Germans have given proof that they do not intend to challenge us again at present.

Both France and Italy had concentrated their efforts mainly in the death-struggle on land, and had relied upon us to a considerable extent for naval protection. The Russian fleet—recently Bolshevik—was of small account. There was no considerable navy in Europe.

But across the Atlantic there was a very different picture. The Americans were at last awakened to the value of sea-power. What Captain Mahan and other naval writers had failed to do, the Great War had achieved. The United States were determined not to have to submit to naval dictation in future. A huge shipbuilding programme was in progress, and very shortly afterwards appeared Parity, the new naval symbol of equality.

Farther away still—across the Pacific—another new naval star had arisen in the East. Japan, an island Empire like ourselves, but lightly touched by the War, in comparison with the cataclysm in Europe, was consolidating her naval position, which had been improving steadily since the Russo-Japanese War. Her navy was now a force to be reckoned with.

Thus for the first time in history we find the three principal Naval Powers widely separated by the oceans.

"SAMSON AND HIS LOCKS?"

Shortly after the War ended attempts to restrict naval armaments commenced. It is unfortunate for us, as a sea Power, that naval armaments lend themselves more readily to international regulation than either military or air forces. Ships cannot be concealed, to be produced later like rabbits from a hat. On the other hand, the Germans have just shown us how skillfully military and air preparations can be hidden.

Our statesmen, in their very proper enthusiasm for a reduction in armaments, are apt to forget that it is the whole basis of our world power with which we are bargaining. The Navy is to the

British Empire what his locks were to Samson—and there are plenty of Delilahs about, anxious to do the shearing.

The first move was the claim to parity by America. We had to agree. There was no alternative. Even had we wanted to refuse, it would have been an empty gesture as our opponent vis-a-vis could have outbuilt us. But an admission of the right to parity was by no means an acquiescence in the American need for parity. Sea-power to us, with our widely scattered Empire, is a stark necessity—to the United States, happily remote and self-sufficing, it is a luxury as far as defence is concerned. But sea-power is a necessity to any country aspiring to be in the van of the World Powers and to be able to talk with authority in the Councils of the Nations. So to the United States their navy is mainly a diplomatic instrument: a national loud-speaker.

THE WRONG KIND OF RESTRICTIONS.

But it is the essential diversity between the naval needs of the two countries that has been at the root of the difficulties during subsequent negotiations on the limitation of sea forces. The United States would like to get their parity as cheaply as possible numerically, whereas we require a certain minimum police force to cover the Seven Seas.

After parity came the Washington Conference in 1921—here, after much discussion, agreement was reached in regard to limitation in battleships, and air craft carriers between the Five Powers attending the Conference—the British Empire, France, Italy, Japan, and the United States.

It was impossible to effect restrictions in numbers without imposing limits on the size of ships as well, otherwise competition would have been transferred from numbers to tonnage. This was most unfortunate. Instead of building the ships we needed to suit our own purposes, as had been our practice hitherto, we found ourselves committed to construct ships of a size that other countries wanted, but which were in reality unnecessarily large and costly. It is sad to remember that once upon a time we were bold enough to follow our own fancy in such matters, but that to-day we are fathering many an unwanted naval child of international parentage conceived at the conference table. No agreement could be reached on limitation in cruisers and below because of our refusal to accept restrictions in any classes of vessel which might be required to deal with hostile submarines.

Had it been possible to obtain agreement on the abolition of submarines, then we should have been prepared to reconsider our decision; but as it was, with our world-wide commitments, the risk was too great. Our standpoint was highly logical, and I regret that our Government did not maintain it at a later date. But temptation proved too strong and they allowed themselves to become involved in a most unfortunate tangle of limitation in cruisers and destroyers, which is largely responsible for our present shortage in these vessels to-day. Though not short, Samson has had a good trim.

Japan only agreed to her quota at Washington provided her security in home waters was guaranteed by an assurance from other Powers that they would not develop any naval bases within a certain area around Japan, including, for us, Hong Kong, but not our new base at Singapore. Japan was thus in an impregnable position, and could develop her Manchurian Policy free from interference. Now she is claiming parity with ourselves and America.

THE NAVY WE NEED—THE BATTLE FLEET.

From the foregoing brief sketch of world naval affairs, let us try to deduce one or two principles to guide our Empire's Naval Policy. Owing to the three principal Naval Powers being so widely separated by the great oceans they would find great difficulty in conducting offensive operations against one another. Though they would probably be secure in their own territories, they would experience great difficulty in insuperable

difficulties in carrying the war into the enemy's home waters: the only successful method of applying naval pressure. Warfare would be of a guerilla nature operations being limited to the attack and defence of seaborne trade and outlying possessions. In these circumstances it is difficult to foresee the employment of the battle fleet—it would be "all dressed up and nowhere to go" as the song says. I even find it hard to contemplate the Government permitting the despatch of the main fleet far afield, when there would almost certainly be simultaneous complications nearer home. To uncover the heart of the Empire, with Europe rumbling ominously requires something more than courage.

In wars in European waters the battle fleet will continue to play its usual role as protector of its weaker consorts.

Our battle fleet is old, thanks to the naval holiday arranged at Washington. It is not, however, too old relatively to the fleets of other countries, to be able to render a good account of itself.

We have seen that its employment in a new naval world is more conjectural than with the pre-war distribution of naval power, when our fleet could count with greater confidence on being able to interpose itself between the enemy and our own lines of communication. When replacements are made the obvious policy is to reduce the battle fleet in size and numbers to as great an extent as is compatible with security. This problem is beyond the scope of this article. Many factors, such as a possible division of the fleet, essential refits and casualties, prevent a numerical reduction below a certain figure. I suggest a bedrock minimum of twelve.

Size is a far more complicated matter; the Admiralty can be trusted not to err on the small side. Supposing the United States insist on constructing mammoth ships—far greater than anything we need for security in home waters, we ought not to follow their lead, but to strike out a line of our own, as of yore. The rest of the naval world will breathe a sigh of relief, and the good sense

UNION-CASTLE LINE

London, Jan. 21. Captain W. Morton Betts, Commodore of the Union-Castle Line, retire from active service to-day. It is nearly 50 years ago he ran away from his home in Southampton to go to sea.

Captain Betts was selected as one of the representatives of the merchant navy at the Jubilee Review, and was presented to the King.

Captain Betts was apprenticed in a sailing barque, and his first command was in 1915 in the Gordon Castle. In July, 1933, he was appointed to the Warwick Castle, and made Commodore of the fleet. He has been 40 years in the service of the company.

The officers of the Warwick Castle have presented Captain Betts with a silver bowl, and the members of the victualling staff with a silver salver.

of the American people will soon call a halt to a policy of the "Biggest Ever." It is absurd to go on building monstrosities we don't want at a price we cannot afford. Study our past naval policy in this matter, before the Conference complex blinds us to common sense.

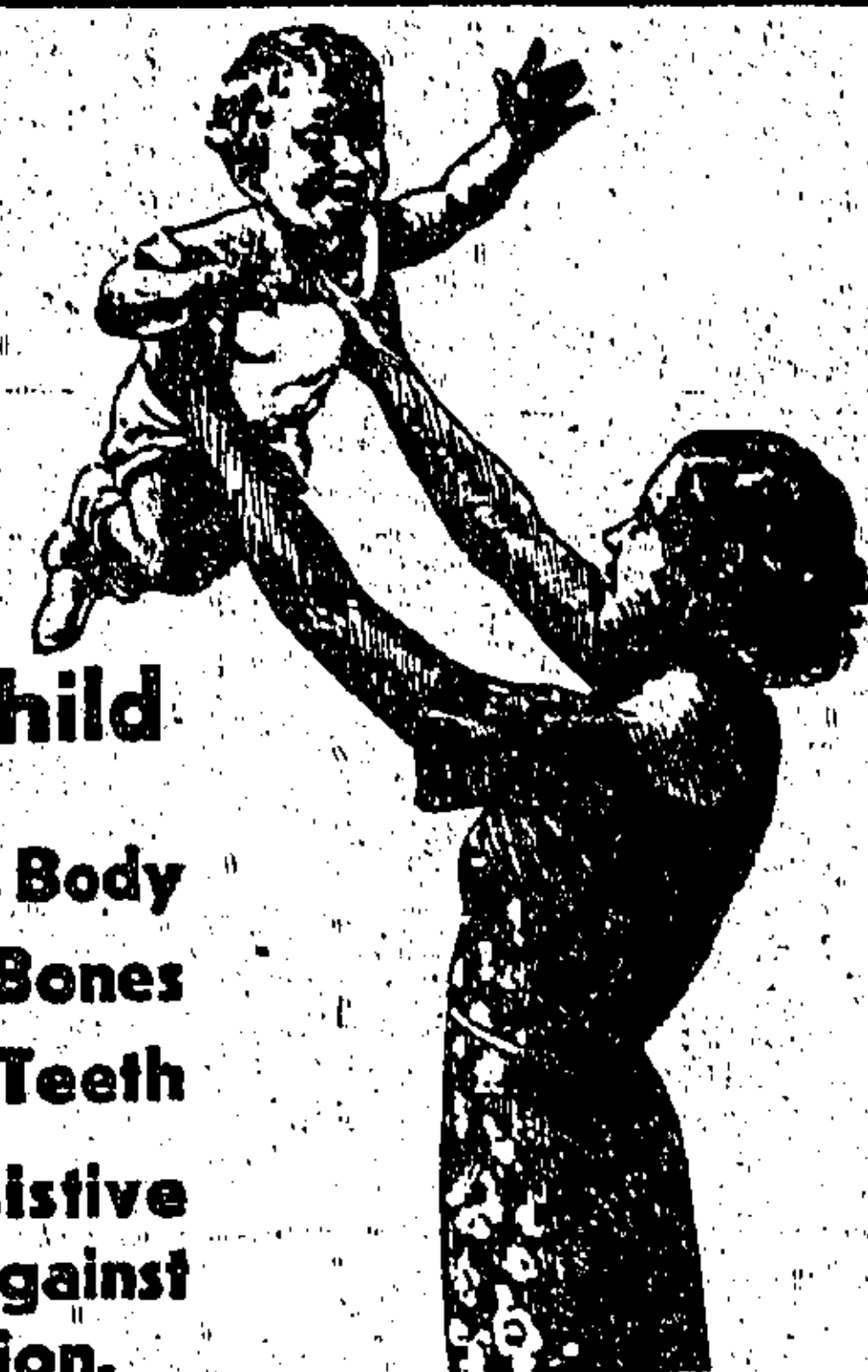
MORE CRUISERS—THE CRYING NEED

Our crying need—as was Nelson's—is for cruisers. We cannot have too many; but seventy is the accepted minimum compatible with our world-wide responsibilities, and we are woefully short of this figure at present. These vessels should be as small as possible consistent with their sea-keeping duties. We do not want any more Treaty abortions, such as we have built since the War to suit other countries. Let us build to our own requirements once again, and rely on others following our lead as in the old days, which we have forgotten in the new international era.

Similar remarks apply to the shortage in destroyers. I should like to discuss my own plan for a naval holiday—a real holiday—a holiday from further naval conferences; but that must wait for another occasion.

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1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletin. Rugby Press news, etc.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

4 to 7 p.m.—Chinese programme.

7 to 11 p.m.—European programme.

7 to 11 p.m.—

Songs by Sir Harry Lauder

1. I've something in the bottle for the morning.

2. Mr. John Mackay.

3. It's a fine thing to sing.

4. We parted on the Shore.

7.17 to 7.30 p.m.—

A Cello Recital by Pablo

1. Gavotte Tendre (Bilemader)

2. Menuet (Debussy)

3. Apres un Reve (Faure).

4. Chanson Villageoise (Popper).

7.30 to 7.40 p.m.—

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The 11th of a series of "Educational Talks" by Uncle Mac.

7.40 to 8 p.m.—

Song Memories

Tunes of not-so-long-ago.

Drury Lane Memories.

Love Tales (arr. H. Hall).

8 p.m.—Local time and weather report, closing local stock quotations.

8.05 to 8.30 p.m.—

From the Studio

A Jazz Piano Recital by Bill Cameron.

8.30 to 9 p.m.—"Symphony No. 101 in D Minor" ("The Clock") (Haydn).

9 to 9.15 p.m.—A Relay of the Davenport News Bulletin (Copyright by Ruter).

9.15 to 9.35 p.m.—

Variety

Song—Red Sails in the Sunset—Al Bowly.

Accordeon Solo—Lulu's Back in Town—George Scott-Wood.

Instrumental—Hawaiian Paradise—Andy Iona and his Islanders.

Song—Cheek to Cheek—Ginger Rogers.

Organ Solo—Funeral March of a Marionette—Sydney Gustard.

Vocal—Musical Comedy Requests—Les Allen and his Canadian Bachelors.

9.35 to 10 p.m.—

From the Studio

A Pianoforte Recital by Harry Ore.

PROGRAMME

1. Sonata No. 27 in E Minor—Beethoven.

(a) Con Vivacita.

(b) Non troppo presto.

2. Gavotte—Valentini (arr. H. Ore).

Or

Gavotte—Gluck (arr. Brahms)

3. The Erl King—Schubert (arr. Liszt).

10 p.m.—Big Ben.

10 to 10.35 p.m.—Dance Music.

10.35 to 10.50 p.m.—

A Relay from Davenport

A Talk on "Imperial Affairs" by H. V. Hodgson.

10.50 to 11 p.m.—Dance Music.

11 p.m.—Close down.

BERLIN PROGRAMME

9.05 p.m.—Call DJA, DJB, DJN (Germ. Engl.).

German Folk Song.

Programme Forecast (Germ. Engl.).

9.15 p.m.—Folk Song Singing by the Hitler Youth.

9.20 p.m.—Flags and Ensigns.

Manuscript: Fritz Winter-Rudolf.

9.45 p.m.—News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJB, DJN.

10 p.m.—Concert by the Berlin Philharmonic.

Conducted by Wilhelm Mengelberg.

Soloist: Sergei Rachmaninoff.

11.15 p.m.—News in German on DJA, DJB, DJN. Close down DJB.

11.30 p.m.—Reports of the Olympic Winter Games.

11.45 p.m.—Fill the Hall with joyful Call!

The German Choral Union conducted by Rudolf Lamy.

12.15 a.m.—News in English on DJA and in Dutch on DJN.

12.30 a.m.—Close DJA, DJN (Germ. Engl.).

RADIO MANILA

6 p.m.—Song and Movie Magazine of the Air

8.30 p.m.—Spanish Information Period.

6.40 p.m.—English Information Period.

6.55 p.m.—Stock quotations through the courtesy of Swan Onions and Frits.

7 p.m.—The Town Order presented by

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COURT NEWS

London, Jan. 22.

I understand that the King has signed an Order in Council, which will be promulgated in due course, taking the rank of Admiral of the Fleet, writes a correspondent.

On his accession, his Majesty became, as Sovereign, head of the Fighting Services. He held, however, only the rank of admiral.

If the precedent of King George is followed with respect to his Army rank, the procedure will be somewhat different.

IN THE BIRTHDAY HONOURS

The King is now a general as was his father on his accession.

The Army Council then made a submission to the King that he might be pleased to take the rank of field-marshal. This was gazetted in the following Birthday Honours.

The field-marshal then waited on the King, and the senior of them handed him the baton of his rank.

In the "Gazette," however, King George's rank was antedated to May 6, the day of his accession.

For the Royal Air Force a precedent remains to be created. The King is Air Chief Marshal. The highest rank is Marshal of the Royal Air Force.

MR. BALDWIN'S BROADCAST

As those who have followed the Prime Minister's career as a speaker must have expected, he was at his best in his broadcast tribute to the late King.

The occasion called for just that simplicity and almost conversational note which Mr. Baldwin knows so well how to employ without becoming undignified.

The colloquial "do," as in the phrase "I do feel," was employed effectively here and there.

From first to last he used no word that would not have been readily understood by all classes.

A CLASSICAL ALLUSION

Once or twice he permitted himself a literary touch, as when he said that "to furnish then all the world is a struggle"—a quotation from Pericles' famous funeral oration.

His picture of the new King bearing "one of the heaviest burdens that can rest upon the shoulders of a faithful and moral man" went home. So, too, did his telling remark about the cares borne by King George—that he knew how lonely were the heights whereon great men stood.

I noticed that Mr. Baldwin coughed twice and paused slightly. That he should have spoken with deep emotion, as one who had lost a friend as well as a Sovereign, was only natural. He was in close touch with the late King as Prime Minister for about six years—almost as long as Lord Oxford and about the same time as Mr. Lloyd George.

PURPOSEFUL DELIBERATION

The Premier spoke with extraordinary slowness. His average speed did not exceed 50 or 60 words a minute, as compared with the 150 or 200 words a minute spoken by many people in conversation and some public speakers.

He could have been reported quite easily in longhand. Foreigners listening in must have been surprised to find that English for once was fairly easy.

Simple though his style is, Mr. Baldwin's cadences are unusual. A playwright friend used to study him and directing the intonations of expert elocutionists, noticed again and again that the word he emphasised was not that which would have been selected by an actor.

Perhaps that fact contributed largely to the speech's ring of deep sincerity.

THE KING TO HIS COMMONS

Messages from the King to Parliament are usually brought into the House of Commons by the Vice-Chamberlain of the Household, now Major O. P. Davies. He appeared at the Bar in uniform and advanced to the table to deliver the message.

Today's message from King Edward, announcing the House with the news of the King's death.

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FRONT PAGE WOMAN

George Brent feels quite at home in his role of Curt Devlin, newspaper reporter, in the Warner Bros. production "Front Page Woman," commencing to-morrow at the Queen's Theatre.

Brent's father was publisher of a newspaper in his native Ireland and George himself was slated for a journalistic career in his childhood. He turned soldier instead, subsequently answering the call to stage.

Bette Davis has the feminine lead in "Front Page Woman." She plays the role of Ellen Garfield, sub-sister on another newspaper and a rival of Brent's.

THE MUTINY ON THE BOUNTY

Sea history's most famous mutiny was filmed without a trace of mutiny in the crew.

Put more than a hundred brawny men on the deck of a 90 foot sailing ship for many weeks and dissension and grievances between members of the crew are expected to arise.

H.M.S. Bounty, which sailed the Pacific's blue water for Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's "Mutiny on the Bounty," which is showing at the King's and Alhambra Theatres, is the exception.

Irving G. Thalberg left no stone unturned to provide comfort and contentment for the stars, players and working crews who spent such a long period either on the Bounty's deck or in the camp maintained by the company at the Catalina Islands.

Wholesome, hot food was one of the principal agencies in keeping a huge company of men content and satisfied in the face of unusual hardships.

No meal was served to his men without Director Frank Lloyd personally inspecting it. When the Bounty was at sea, hot lunches—and plenty of it—were sped from the isthmus camp to the Bounty, even though the vessel was ten or twenty miles away.

Singing provided another diversion, which was always encouraged by Director Lloyd aboardship between scenes. Beginning with Donald Crisp, Eddie Quillan, Stanley Fields and Dave Thurstall, the quartet increased to a "community chorus," with Charles Laughton raising his tenor, though slightly nasal, to the foretopmost peak.

Gable, in these chorus ensembles, revealed a sort of basso profundo and Franchot Tone developed nicely as a crooner.

The supporting cast of the fast-moving comedy-drama includes Roscoe Karns, Winifred Shaw, Walter Walker, J. Carroll Nash, Gordon Westcott and J. Farrell MacDonald.

TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA

Hong Kong

KING'S:—
"Mutiny On The Bounty"

QUEEN'S:—
"So Red The Rose"

ORIENTAL:—
"The Big Broadcast of 1936"

Kowloon

ALHAMBRA:—
"Mutiny On The Bounty"

MAJESTIC:—
"Tien Luen"

STAR:—
"Little Friend"

Coming

KING'S:—
"The Three Musketeers"

QUEEN'S:—
"Front Page Woman"

ORIENTAL:—
"Shipmates Forever"

ALHAMBRA:—
"The Murder Man"

STAR:—
"In Caliente"

MAJESTIC:—
"Black Fury"

THE THREE MUSKETEERS

Paul Lukas who has earned such wide popularity in suave and urbane roles, takes up Athos' rapier in "The Three Musketeers" to add lusty action to his usual finesse.

An expert swordsman, he brilliantly demonstrates his prowess in the famous fights between the Musketeers and the cardinal's guards, which are thrilling highlights of the picture. As the betrayed husband of Richelieu's alluring spy, Milady de Winter, Lukas is the mystic, woman-hating member of the celebrated trio.

He shares hero honours with Walter, Abel, Moroni Olsen, and Onslow Stevens who portray d'Artagnan, Porthos and Aramis respectively in RKO Radio's production of the Dumas' classic which comes to the King's Theatre.

"THE RAINMAKERS"

Swift as a speed boat, novel as a circus and packed with laughter, "The Rainmakers," which opens on Saturday at the Alhambra Theatre, deserves rating among the best comedy features given to the screen by Bert Wheeler and Robert Woolsey.

Placing Wheeler and Woolsey in the roles of scientific "rainmakers," "The Rainmakers" offers unlimited opportunity for suspense and humour.

Starting with a recital of the woes of the bean-growing farmers of "Lima Junction" in California, the picture cuts back to a wild scene showing "Roscoe the Rainmaker" (Bob Woolsey) riding to the rescue through a terrific dust storm. En route he picks up Bert Wheeler as his assistant.

Arriving in Lima Junction, the two scientists run afoul of trouble in the persons of the town's "leading citizen" and his drugstore cowboy son. To complicate matters further, Bert falls in love with the local banker's daughter.

Through the hilarious use of their rainmaking machine, Bert and Bob overcome all obstacles, however, and the picture races swiftly to an uproarious climax.

SO RED THE ROSE

King Vidor and Lawrence Stallings, the two men who collaborated on that great film, "The Big Parade" have joined talents again and the result of this collaboration is the beautiful Paramount's romance "So Red The Rose," closing to-day at the Queen's Theatre starring Margaret Sullivan, Randolph Scott and Walter Connolly.

Stallings, one of America's foremost playwrights and co-author of "What Price Glory" adapted "So Red The Rose" to the screen. Like "The Big Parade" this new film, which is Paramount's screen version of Stark Young's best-selling novel, has a War background, the War between the States.

Unlike "The Big Parade" however, "So Red The Rose" is not primarily a war picture. Rather it shows how the War of that period affected the lives of an aristocratic Southern family who had been reared to respect the traditions of their own people.



A scene from "Little Friend" now showing at the Star Theatre.

LITTLE FRIEND

Out of hundreds of young applicants for the important role of Felicity Hughes in the film "Little Friend," fourteen years' old Nova Pilbeam was chosen by Berthold Viertel, the director.

His judgment in giving the role to this child with the large expressive eyes is justified. Her interpretation of the psychology of a child devoted to her parents, who sees her happiness die when they drift apart, is almost uncanny in its perception.

Nova does not act the part of Felicity, she lives it, and her poignant cry of "Mummy!" when that adored parent turns from her, is something that the most blasé of filmgoers will long remember.

Without the use of explanatory dialogue, one can understand and appreciate the terror that has Felicity Hughes in its grip.

This child makes you sorrow and laugh with her—a great little actress.

Berthold Viertel, the director of "Little Friend," has made a film that is a brilliant study of an almost everyday tragedy that will make many ponder. He has handled the problem of married unhappiness and its effects on a sensitive child with great understanding.

NAVY WIFE

The age-old question, "can love come after marriage," receives reply in "Navy Wife," a Fox picture which comes Wednesday to the Alhambra Theatre. Claire Trevor and Ralph Bellamy are co-featured in this screen version of the novel, "Beauty's Daughter," by Kathleen Norris.

Miss Trevor, a Naval nurse, marries Ralph Bellamy, in the role of a Navy doctor, knowing that he does not love her and wants only a home and a mother for his crippled daughter. She soon discovers that the memory of a dead wife is an almost unsurmountable bar to a happy marriage.

Another woman intrudes into their lives. She is convinced that her husband will never love her. Just as Miss Trevor is about to call her marriage a complete failure and leave her husband, a surprise climax brings a happy ending to this romantic story.

A highly capable cast is featured in support of Miss Trevor and Bellamy. It includes Warren Hymer, Jane Darwell, George Irving and Ben Lyon. Allan Dwan directed "Navy Wife," which was produced under the supervision of Sol M. Wurtzel.

EIGHT BIRDS WORTH £18,500

Crystal Palace Show

London, Jan. 24.

Eight birds, on which a combined selling price of £18,500 has been placed, were exhibited by one man at the Crystal Palace, London, yesterday, when the 68th National Show of Cage Birds was opened. The birds on view formed a world's record entry.

More than 5000, a wonderful variety of colour and song worth hundreds of thousands of pounds, were judged for trophies and prizes many times bigger than themselves.

Mr. Fred Hopkins, Apple Tree House, Hoxley, Surrey, was the exhibitor of the handful worth a fortune. They comprised a little black woodpecker valued at £6000, an Australian sparrowbill worth £2500, three other birds worth £2000 apiece, and three worth £500 each.

More than 1000 of the birds in the show were budgerigars, some of them valued at £1000 each. Canaries, of which 18 types were exhibited, ranged in value from £21 to £1000.

KING GEORGE'S LAST COUNCIL

The New Form Of Prayer

London, Jan. 25.

Sir John Simon, the Home Secretary, with the King's permission, lifted a little further the veil on the moving scene at Sandringham on Monday, when the Council of State was set up.

The Archbishop of Canterbury described in the House of Lords on Thursday the late King's gallant but pathetic effort to sign his last State paper with his own hand.

From the Home Secretary's words it is plain that despite his resolution to sign, the late King's strength was unequal to the task. But as he had made marks on the State paper, in the presence of the Councilors, it was accepted as an approved Order in Council.

This is, of course, strictly in keeping with precedent. King John never "signed" Magna Carta. He only set his mark upon it.

The Archbishop's quotation from the close of "Samson Agonistes," "Nothing is here for tears.....," nobly ended a great tribute to the late King.

Since it followed immediately upon a moving reference to Queen's Mary fortitude and courage, I may be permitted to quote the lines of a more modern poet as expressing the sympathy with which, as Dr. Lang said, she is to-day surrounded.

Tennyson's last words to Queen Victoria in dedicating "Idylls of the Kings" to the Prince Consort memory run:

May all love,
His love, unseen but felt, o'ershadow Thee.

The love of all Thy sons encompass Thee,
The love of all Thy daughters cherish Thee.

The love of all Thy people comfort Thee,
Till God's love set Thee at his side again!

PRAYERS FOR THE QUEEN-MOTHER

Churchgoers to-morrow will hear prayers for the Queen-Mother for the first time since Advent, 1925.

The new form of prayer for the royal family—yet to be officially announced, but already in use—is the shortest since Edward VII. was born in 1841.

It has petitions only for the King, the Queen-Mother and all the Royal family.

The title "Queen-Mother" is an attractive variant of the more formal "Queen-Dowager." The last Queen to use the latter style was Adelaide, the widow of William IV, who was not the mother of a Sovereign.

Queen Alexandra, who was Queen-Mother from 1910 to 1925, was the first to use that title since Henrietta Maria, widow of Charles I, who died in 1656.

DESIGNERS OF THE CATAFALQUE

The catafalque in Westminster Hall, so impressive in its dignified simplicity, was designed by the architectural division of the Office of Works in London.

Instead of adapting the designs of the catafalque used in 1910 they drew entirely new ones.

The chief differences are that King George's coffin rests some six inches higher and that the steps of the base are a foot broader at each end.

Simplicity is given by having single candles around the catafalque. At King Edward's lying-in-state candelabra were used.

As the regiments of the Household Cavalry and Foot Guards are changed every six hours, this gives most officers forty minutes between each spell of duty.

In the interval they wait in the rest room at the end of the hall. The officer standing outside this at the top of the stairs is a representative of the four round the catafalque falls out.

Yesterday morning between 11.40 and noon the guard was provided by Lieutenant-Colonel's commanding regiments of Foot Guards.

Otherwise guards have been mounted according to regimental precedence—the Life Guards being the first, the Blues second, and the Grenadier Guards third.

VIVE LE ROI!

Amid all the other flags at half-mast, one flew yesterday at the masthead. This was the Royal Standard over Buckingham Palace.

At Queen Victoria's funeral King Edward VII. gave a striking lesson in the constitutional maxim that the King never dies.

With the other mourners he crossed the Solent in the Victoria and Albert, following the Alberta, on which was the Queen's coffin.

Noticing that the Victoria and Albert's Standard was also at half-mast, he asked the captain for an explanation.

"The Queen is dead, sir!" came the reply.

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CRIPPLED MAN WALKS AFTER INFLUENZA

Germ Cures Paralysis?

London, Jan. 25.

After being wheeled about in an invalid chair for 14 years, John Heuchan, 51, of Motherwell, Lanarkshire, is now able to walk. He gives the credit for his remarkable cure to the influenza germ.

Until 1921 Heuchan was employed at Dalzell Steelworks, Motherwell. He was then attacked by paralysis of the legs and back and became a complete invalid. Recently he had a bad attack of influenza. Recovering from this, he found that the power of his legs was gradually returning. His condition improved rapidly and he is now able to walk without assistance.

"The King of England lives," he answered. "The Standard was at once hoisted and the flag flew high."

ESTATE APPEAL DISMISSED WITH COSTS

Judgment Of Full Court Delivered

The Acting Chief Justice, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell sitting with the Acting Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice J. J. Hayden delivered judgment yesterday at a sitting of the Full Court in the appeal brought by the Hon. Sir William Shenton and Mr. M. H. Turner, trustees of the will of the late Sir Paul Chater, against the decision of the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor in holding that estate duty was payable on the cesser of an annuity bequeathed by the will to the late Lady Chater.

The appeal was dismissed with costs.

SHORT QUESTION INVOLVED

Giving judgment, Mr. Justice R. E. Lindsell, Acting Chief Justice said: "This is an appeal against the judgment of Sir Atholl MacGregor, C.J., dismissing an appeal by the present appellants, the trustees of the will of Sir Paul Chater, deceased, against a decision of the Estate Duty Commissioner, the present respondent, requiring payment of estate duty on the cesser of an annuity bequeathed by the will to the deceased's wife, Lady Chater, now also deceased.

"As in the Court below the only question involved is a short, though not a simple one, namely, whether or not the gift of the said annuity was a settlement of property, or of an interest or estate in property, limited by way of succession so as to enable the appellants to take advantage of the provisions of section 25 of the Estate Duty Ordinance, 1932.

"Counsel for the appellants has made two submissions in support of his contention that such a settlement was effected; firstly, that in the will itself can be found such a direction to appropriate part of the estate to answer the annuity as constituted a settlement, and that therefore, although no appropriation was in fact made by the trustees, equity will regard that as done which ought to have been; and secondly, that the gift of an annuity simpliciter charged upon the residue of the estate was just as much a settlement as if the annuity had been charged upon a definite portion of the estate.

THE SUBMISSIONS
"As regards the first of these submissions, the material provisions of the will are as follows:

(5) I bequeath the following annuities, etc., etc.,
(a) to my wife during her life the sum of ten thousand pounds sterling.

(8) Subject to the payment of my funeral and testamentary expenses, etc., and subject to making provision for any annuities bequeathed by this my will or by any codicil thereto my Trustees shall invest, etc.,
(13) I declare that my Trustees shall be at liberty, if they so think fit, to appropriate and set apart out of my residuary estate investments representing such a capital fund as shall at the time of appropriation be sufficient to produce the annual sums directed to be paid by Clause 5 of this my will with such a liberal margin for contingencies as in the opinion of my Trustees shall be sufficient, and I declare that when such appropriation has been made the said annual sums shall be wholly charged on the investments so appropriated in exoneration of the rest of my estate but that the capital of such appropriated investments may be resorted to in case at any time the income thereof is insufficient to pay any such annual sum or sums, and I further declare that on the cesser of any of such annual sums such part of the appropriated investments as shall not, in the opinion of my Trustees be required for the payment of the other annual sum or sums for the time being payable under the trusts of this my will shall revert to and form part of my residuary estate and that any surplus income arising from the appropriated investments shall be applied as income of my residuary estate.

THE MACHINERY
"The trustees never made the appropriation allowed by Clause 13. Had they done so it may be that a settlement as defined by s.25 (2) of the Estate Duty Ordinance, 1932, would have been effected and no estate duty would have been leviable on the cesser of Lady Chater's annuity.

Mr. Macnamara, however, contends that the words in Clause 3 of the will 'subject to making provision for any annuities bequeathed by this my will' are 'per se' operative to require the trustees to make an appropriation to answer Lady Chater's and the other annuities, and that the provisions of Clause 13 are mere machinery allowing postponement of appropriation in the discretion of the trustees.

"He then proceeds to argue that, despite the failure of the trustees to appropriate and set aside any part of the estate, equity will come to their rescue and that of the residuary legatees by deeming that to have been done which ought to have been done. He relies on *Harbin v. Masterman*, 1896 1 Ch. 351, as showing that a residuary legatee has the right to have part of the deceased's estate appropriated and set aside to answer an annuity given by the will.

"In support of his second submission, Mr. Macnamara contends that, even if no appropriation was made or deemed in equity to have been made, yet the bequest of Lady Chater's annuity was a settlement as defined by s.25 (2) of the Estate Duty Ordinance in that it gave her an 'interest in property which stood for the time being limited to her by way of succession'. He does not contend that her interest extended to the whole of the residuary estate but merely to an undivided share thereof large enough to answer her annuity and therefore sufficiently ascertainable to become settled property.

AUTHORITIES QUOTED
"He has drawn our attention to a number of authorities, all of which he cited in the Court below, and in particular to *A.G. v. Watson* (1817) 2 K.B. 42, and argues that although those cases do not specifically establish that the gift of an annuity simpliciter is a settlement, yet they leave the point open, the remarks thereon of Sargant J. in *re Waller* (1916) 1 Ch. 153 at p. 158 being merely obiter; and that the judgment of Lush J. in *A.G. v. Watson* decides that an annuity is not at any rate a legacy payable by instalments but an interest in the estate which passes on the annuitant's death to others, i.e. such an interest as is within the meaning of s.25 (2) as of s. 5 (2) of the Ordinance.

"With the first of these submissions I am not in agreement. "I can find no direction whatever in the words, subject to making provision for any annuities bequeathed by this my will' in Clause 3 of the will requiring the trustees to set aside any part of the residuary estate to answer the annuities. The whole object of this clause is to provide for the distribution of the testator's residuary estate, and the words quoted are no more than a recognition that this cannot be affected by the trustees without their first estimating what proportion of the estate will be sufficient to answer the annuities. Furthermore, I find it impossible to read into Clause 13 of the will anything resembling a declaration of the trustees' right to postpone appropriation. The words 'my Trustees shall be at liberty, if they so think fit, to appropriate, etc.' give the trustees absolute discretion to appropriate or not to appropriate, and the fact that they have exercised that discretion in a way that may now cause loss to the residuary estate cannot entitle them to call equity to their aid and ask this Court to say that what might have been done to the advantage of the estate should be deemed to have been done. Nor again does the case of *Harbin v. Masterman* (supra) help the appellants since that case decided no more than that in proper circumstances the Court will allow a remainderman's claim for the distribution of the residuary estate by requiring the trustees to set aside a sufficient portion of the estate to answer annuities given by the will. It does not decide that any residuary legatee has the absolute right to come in at any time and claim such setting aside and distribution, and even if it did, I fail to see how it could help the appellants who are the trustees of the will, and not the residuary legatees.

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HOTEL GUESTS

List of Guests Staying at the Peninsula Hotel

Mr. Ramon Alotiz, Mr. E. Aster, Major and Mrs. L. A. Alston, Mr. C. A. Armistage, Mr. B. A. Andersen, Mr. A. S. Abbott.

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FRAUDULENT CONVERSION

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The fraudulent conversion of a considerable amount of money received on account for a retired merchant residing in the United States of America, formed the charge against a 61-year-old man, who made an appearance before Mr. Balfour at the Central Magistrate's court yesterday.

The accused, Chung Shing Hang alias Chung Fun was charged with fraudulent conversion of \$9,854.22 received on account for Chung Shing Ki, of No. 8 Sharp Street, East, third floor described as a retired merchant. The alleged conversion was stated to have taken place between 1927 and 1933.

Mr. Leo D'Almada, Snr., appeared for the complainant, while Mr. E. S. C. Brooks was for the defendant.

Mr. D'Almada said that in the middle of 1926, when the complainant was about to leave for the United States he handed a large sum of money to the defendant, with directions that he should purchase No. 8 Sharp Street. The house was bought and the defendant was authorised to collect the rent and to pay the "out goings." He was to deposit the money received in the International Banking Corporation, now the National City Bank, but the defendant failed to comply with these instructions.

Despite repeated requests from the complainant, the accused failed to furnish any accounts, until the complainant returned to the Colony in 1933. Defendant then produced a statement showing detailed items, and it was then discovered that the \$9,000 odd, which constituted the present charge, had not been accounted for.

Following evidence given by the complainant, the case was remanded till Friday, at 2.30 p.m.

M. C. Potts, Mr. G. A. Parker, Mr. M. Pagh, Mr. W. G. Pirie.

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HANDEL'S "MESSIAH"

Recital To-morrow

It is sometimes said that the only people who really enjoy a great choral work are the people who are taking part in it, and there is no doubt about it in this case, as far as the singers are concerned. I was walking past the Cathedral at 5.30 the other evening and watched the Hong Kong Singers assembling for their rehearsal; some came in cars, some by bus, some on foot, some looked tired after the day's work, but everyone, with the inevitable yellow score under the arm, looked keen and purposeful. Two hours later the same crowd emerged, laughing and talking, the tired ones looking strangely less and not more tired; and I knew just how they must be feeling—satisfaction at a difficult piece of work well tackled, a wonderfully exercised feeling about the lungs and throat, magnificent tunes chasing each other round in the head and a colossal appetite for dinner.

THE LISTENERS
But what about the listeners? For the performers, however much they intend to enjoy themselves on Wednesday evening, would not wish to feel that the listeners were only there from a sense of duty. In my opinion one of the chief causes of failure to enjoy hearing such a work as this is the very simple one of not being able to hear the words. It is difficult enough very often in a solo to catch the words of a song, or even to make out in what language he or she is singing, but when you get a hundred people singing together and not in unison, there can be little hope. We know vaguely what it is all about, we catch a word or phrase here and there, and our minds are distracted from enjoying the music by this effort to hear the words, which are really comparatively unimportant. At the concert on Wednesday, however, this difficulty will not arise, for the words of every aria, chorus and piece of recitative to be sung are printed in the programme.

The second stumbling block is a more serious one. It seems to lie in the difficulty of apprehending such a mass of sounds all at once, and of getting them to enter the brain as one concerted whole. It is a little time before I can even start to listen. There is the choir—ah, I see Mrs. So and so—my mind dwells for a moment on the angle of her hat—which are the bases and which the tenors—how cramped the strings look—I wonder if any of the notes of the organ will stick up to-day—now one of the soloists is beginning—why will that person in front rattle his programme—it is all very distracting. But there is a unity I begin to realise, as I try to concentrate more; the orchestra supporting the choir, the different sets of voices taking up the main theme one after the other—if only I could hear this work again and again I might begin to comprehend the immense scheme which was in the composer's mind.

SCORES A POINT
But here the "Messiah" scores a point, for there must be few people to whom the whole of this work is entirely new. Some must know the chorus "For unto us a child is born" and others have heard the Pastoral Symphony played, to many the solos will come as old friends. To those to whom it is entirely new I would say, don't worry, parts of it you will like and parts of it you may not, but you will never regret having been to hear it, and the next time you will enjoy it infinitely more.

It is not for me to speak here of the beauties of this work of Handel's. It is enough for me to say that I wish that I and you could both.

The first fine careless rapture which I felt when I was taken as a child to an evening service in a College chapel at one of the older Universities in England. Seated in the dark antechapel, we looked through into the choir stalls beyond, where sat the men and boys in rows facing each other, the whole softly lit with candle light. Suddenly a clear boy's voice broke the silence with the words "I know that my Redeemer liveth," and the sweetness of the voice, the beauty of that musical phrase and the absolute rightness of the setting to the words, especially the perfect opening major fourth, took away my breath. I remember walking home very quietly and feeling as though I had had "an awfully big adventure."

GINGER.

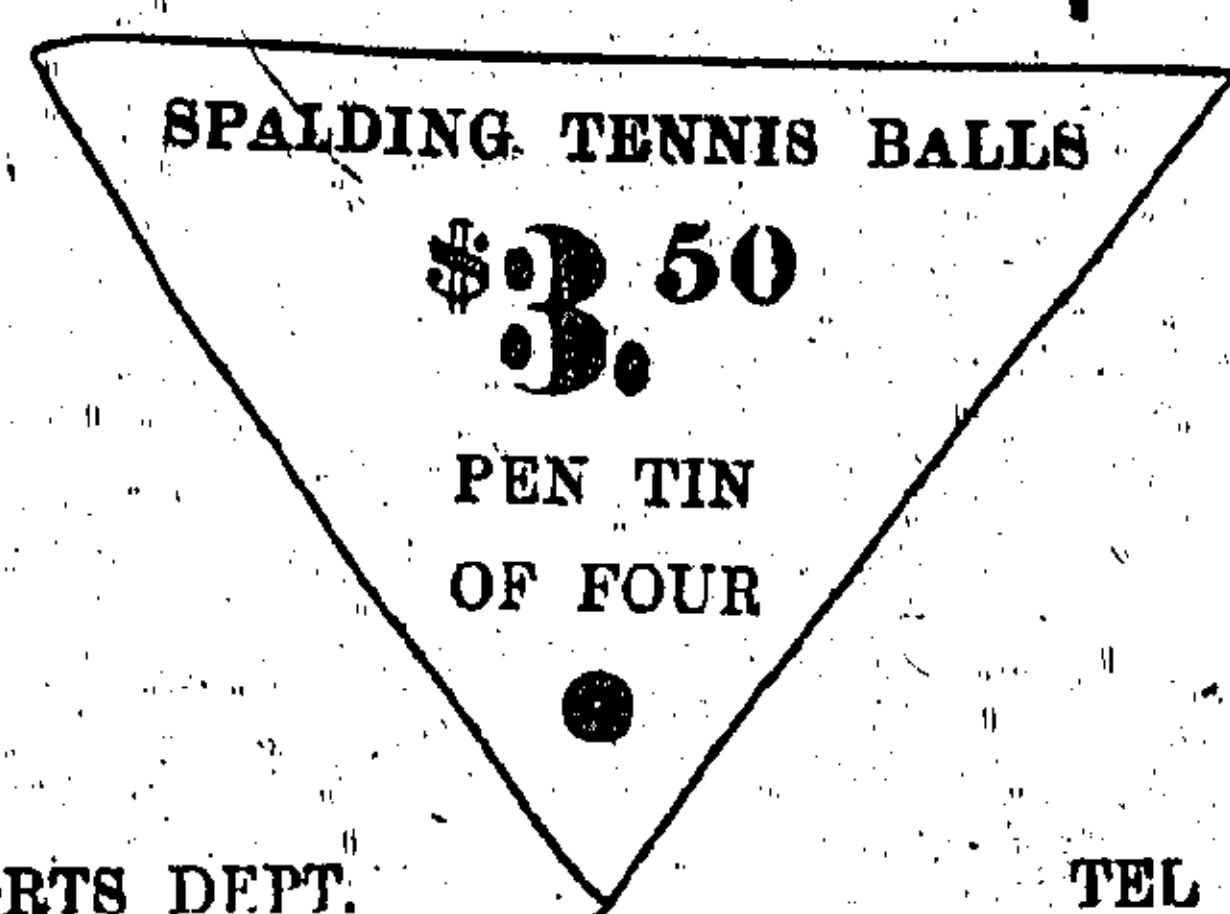
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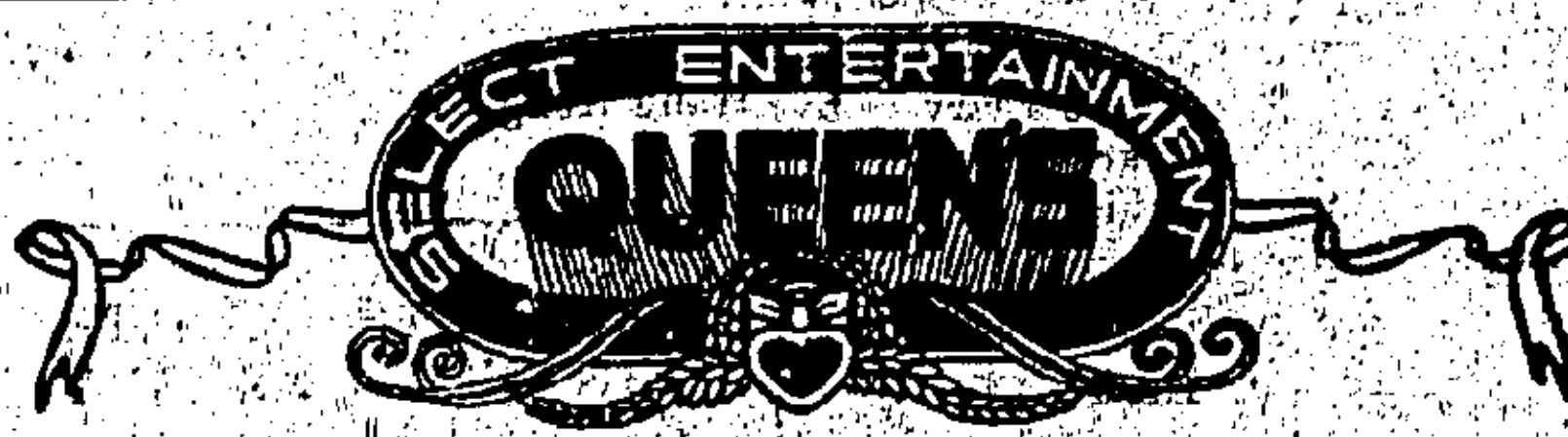
Mrs. Margaret Sanger, President of the Birth Control International Information Centres, is calling at Hong Kong on Thursday, February 20th, 1936.

The following arrangements have been made:—

1. Informal Reception at the Hong Kong Hotel, first floor, at 4.30 p.m. to meet her. Guests wishing to have tea will please make their own arrangements with the Hong Kong Hotel.
2. Public Lecture by Mrs. Sanger at 5.30 p.m. at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden.
3. Dinner in her honour at 8.30 p.m. at the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden (\$2.00 per head). Musical Programme arranged. Evening Dress optional. Reservation to be made at the Hong Kong Hotel before February 19th.

You and your friends are cordially invited to attend any or all of the above functions.

THE RECEPTION COMMITTEE.



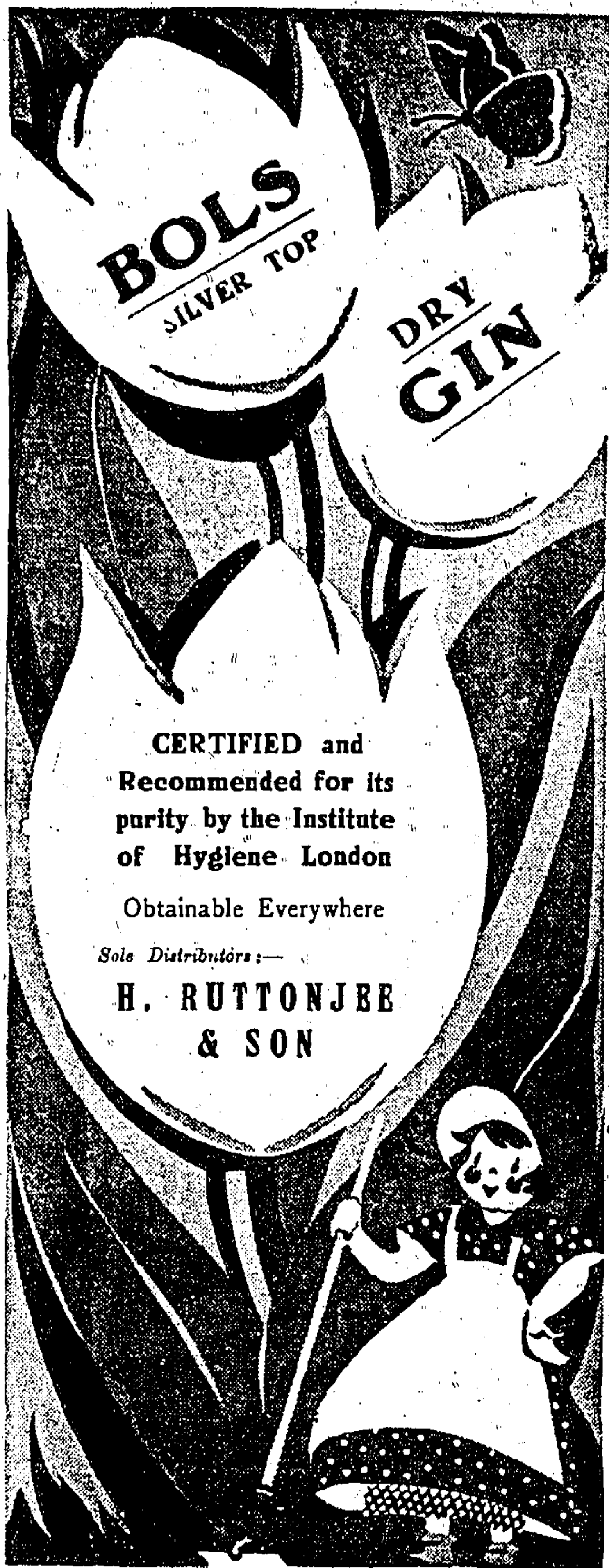
NOTICE TO PATRONS

Although the demand for seating accommodation continues extremely heavy the Management regrets that this exhibition of the film showing the impressive scenes at the funeral of the late King George the Fifth cannot be extended. The last performances definitely are TO-DAY 2.30, 5.15, 7.20 and 9.30 P.M.

By kind permission of Lieut. Colonel A. C. Marsh and Officers the Band of the 2nd Battalion East Lancashire Regiment will play appropriate selections under the personal direction of Mr. A. B. Yule at all performances.



Miss E. M. Gervard, who married on 14. A. C. Hamilton, South Wales Border, Regt., in day at the St. John's Cathedral. (Photo by Yon Kobza)



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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FORTY EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on TUESDAY, 10th March, 1936, at NOON for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1935.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, 24th February, to TUESDAY, 10th March, both days inclusive, during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
O. EAGER,
Secretary.

Hong Kong 17th February, 1936.
(4218)

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Office of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., on Thursday, the 6th March, 1936, AT NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1935.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from Friday, the 21st February, 1936, to Thursday, the 6th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
F. H. CRAPPELL,
Secretary.

Hong Kong, 12th February, 1936.
(4200)

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI
BANKING CORPORATION

NOTICE is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at the Head Office of the Corporation, No. 1 Queen's Road Central, Hong Kong, on Saturday, the 22nd February, 1936, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1935.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday the 10th February to Saturday, the 22nd February, 1936, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
V. M. GRAYBURN,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 3rd February, 1936.
(4174)

HUMPHREYS ESTATE &
FINANCE COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Hong Kong Hotel, Hong Kong, on TUESDAY, the 18th February, 1936, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1935.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from SATURDAY, 8th February to TUESDAY, 18th February, both days inclusive.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

Hong Kong, 31st January, 1936.
(4183)

LOCAL MAPS

Peak District,
Kowloon,
Victoria,
New Territories.

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ADVERTISEMENTS.

THE HONG KONG
JOCKEY CLUB.

ANNUAL RACE MEETING, 1936.
22nd, 24th, 25th, 26th and 29th,
FEBRUARY, 1936.

ON Saturday 22nd, Monday 24th, Tuesday 25th, and Wednesday 26th February, the first race will be rung at 11 a.m., and the first race will be run at 11.30 a.m. On Saturday, 29th February, the first race will be rung at 1.30 p.m., and the first race will be run at 2.00 p.m.

The time interval will be taken after the fifth race on the first four days.

MEMBERS' BADGES AND
ENCLOSURE.

Members are reminded that they and their Ladies MUST wear their Badges prominently displayed throughout the Meeting.

No One without a Badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure. Badges admitting Non-Members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.00 per day including tax—or \$40.00 including tax for the Meeting (Ladies \$5.00 and \$20.00 respectively) are obtainable through the SECRETARY upon introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for all Chits, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will NOT be on sale at the Race Course.

The Secretary's Office, 1st Floor, EXCHANGE BUILDING (Tel. 27794) WILL CLOSE AT 10.00 a.m. ON THE FIRST FOUR DAYS, and at 12.00 NOON ON THE FIFTH DAY.

A limited number of tickets will be obtainable each day at the Club House, provided they are ordered in advance from the No. 1 Boy, Telephone No. 21920.

On no pretext will Children be permitted in either Enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

PUBLIC ENCLOSURE.

The Price of Admission to the Public Enclosure is \$2.00 per day including tax for all persons including Ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.00 per day including tax.

Bookmakers, Tipsters, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Tickets will be obtainable in the Restaurant in the Public Enclosure.

SERVANTS' PASSES

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to the Secretary, 1st Floor, Exchange Building.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the Enclosure.

By Order,

C. B. BROWN,

Secretary,
Hong Kong, 17th February, 1936.
(4211)

SHANGHAI CHINESE
STOCK EXCHANGEDifficult Problems Still
Unsolved

Shanghai, Feb. 17. According to the Chinese press, after over a fortnight's suspension, the China Merchants' Exchange here will be re-opened to-day.

An order authorising the re-summation of trading was made by the Ministry of Finance on Saturday. It states, inter alia, "however, in view of the fact that the printing of the bonds of the Consolidation Loan (Tung I Kung Chai) has not yet been completed, and that the conversion of the old (existing) bonds for new has not yet commenced, your Exchange is hereby ordered, after the re-opening on February 17, temporarily to refrain from new transactions, so as to avoid difficulties regarding the time of delivery."

Well-informed circles believe that the Chinese stock exchange which was ordered by the Ministry of Finance to reopen this morning is not likely to carry out the order owing to "many difficult problems still unsolved."

Reuter.

DEATH OF R. D. CHAPIN

Detroit, Feb. 16. Mr. Roy Dikeman Chapin, Secretary of Commerce in President Hoover's Cabinet, from 1932-33, and President of the Hudson Auto Company, died to-day.

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The Daily Press.

HONG KONG, FEBRUARY 18, 1936.

THE SIZE OF NAVIES

What did the First Lord of the Admiralty in Britain mean when he said that in new treaties of naval limitation the method of ratios will have to be abandoned? Not, certainly, that Britain desists of securing a new agreement for reduction of armaments, or to depart from the spirit of the Washington Conference. On the contrary, the statement means that efforts will be made to secure reduction even though certain countries, notably Japan, object to the system of fixed ratios, and are unwilling to accept a position of prolonged inferiority.

It may be suggested that the method which the First Lord proposes will be no more than a change in name. The effects, if successful, would undoubtedly be similar. But the adoption of a different method may make all the difference in negotiation. Each country is invited to state its requirements in ships, and its building programme up to 1942. No doubt each will be disposed to fix its programme in view of the probable strength of other countries. When all the programmes are put side by side some countries will be willing to lessen building if others will do the same.

At the worst, and supposing that no power is prepared to reduce its estimate, this advantage at least accrues—that the programmes are fixed till 1942, and no competitive building will take place in the interval. In practice, there is the strongest ground for hoping that A and B will drop some parts of their proposals if C and D do the same, since the relative strengths would be unaltered, and the cost would be less. In the long run this brings the powers back to a ratio; but the method of attaining it is not mathematical, and should be less offensive to the "amour propre" of a sensitive nation.

NANKING ENVOY TO
CANTON

Shanghai, Feb. 17. Chinese reports from Nanking state that General Ho Chien, Governor of Hunan, who returned to Changsha yesterday, has been instructed to proceed to Canton shortly to confer with Mr. Hu Han-min. Generals Chen Chi-tang, Li Tsung-jen and Pei Chung-hai. General Ho has had a series of conferences with General Chiang Kai-shek.

It is believed that the mission to the south is highly significant.

Reuter.

BLOCKADE OF CHINA
COAST

Japan's War Precaution

Shanghai, Feb. 17. Japanese naval officers in China will meet here shortly for a conference concerning ways and means to blockade the China coast in the event of war between Japan and China or any other country, according to a verbatim report current here to-day.

Rear-Admiral Hideo Wada, Commander of Port Arthur, will come to Shanghai to take part in this meeting.

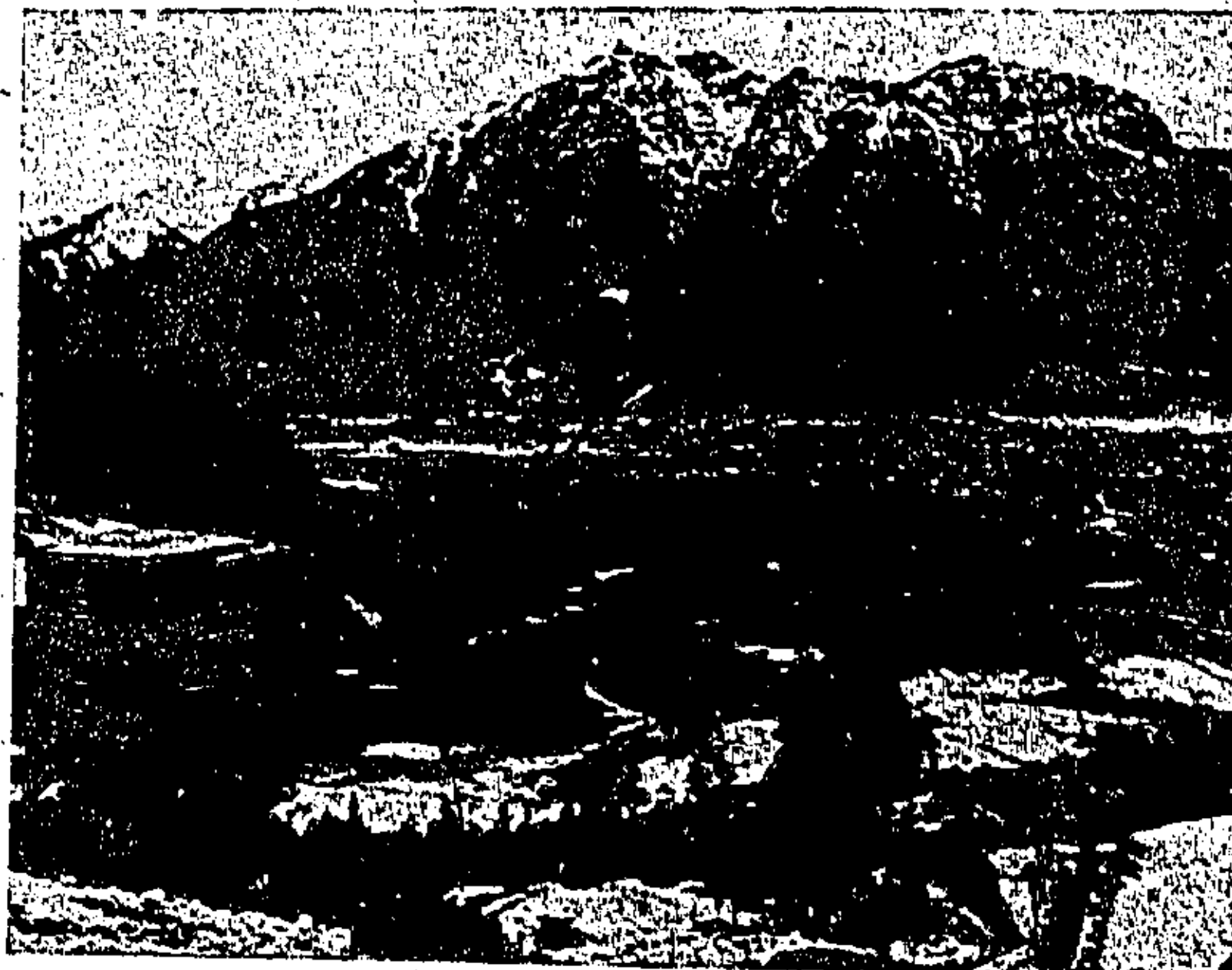
Union News.

GEN. DOIHARA GIVES
HIS VIEWSJapanese Monroe Doctrine
Rejected

Peking, Feb. 17. General Dohara utterly rejected the Japanese Monroe Doctrine when interviewed by foreign correspondents. He declared: "My ideas are not based against foreignism. I don't insist on Asia for Asiatics."

On the subject of Communism he said: "If the movement developed seriously in this province, the Japanese would consider it their responsibility to assist the Hopei Council and suppress it if the council is not strong enough to do so."

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CLOSING SCENES IN
WINTER GAMESNorway Secures Seven
Gold Medals

One of the International participants at the commencement of jumping on the great Olympic entrenchment in Garmisch-Partenkirchen.

("Hong Kong Daily Press" Special)

Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Feb. 17. On Sunday, Norway and England scored victories in two final events. The Norwegian skiing champion, Birger Rund, securing major honours in the first Olympic ski-jump, while the team received the first place in ice hockey tournament, by virtue of Canada beating the United States, which baulked the latter's chances, which would have resulted in a tie with England.

England thus got the first prize and the gold medal, and Canada the second place and the silver medal, while the United States had to be content with the third prize and the bronze medal.

In the ski-jump the Norwegians once more proved their superiority in this domain, by taking the first, third and fourth places, the champion Birger Rund being the winner of the first prize and gold medal, but was hard pressed by the young Swede, Sven Eriksson, who actually made the two longest jumps of six meters each, but was only awarded the second prize owing to his lack of poise and style.

The best German, Hans Marr, was placed tenth among 48 competitors. Two Japanese, Igure and Adachi, were among the six best in the first jump, but Igure failed to keep up the good work in the second jump.

FINAL STANDINGS

In the final point score for the Olympic Winter Games opened with seven gold medals and 100 points, leads by a wide margin, Germany coming next with three gold medals and 48 points, followed by Sweden with two gold medals and 42 points. Finland 38 points, United States 33 points, Austria 27 points, England 22 points, Switzerland 20 points.

Each of the last five countries gained one gold medal, and were followed next on the list by Canada 9 points, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Belgium, France, Holland, Japan, Italy, Poland.

PRIZE DISTRIBUTION

The closing ceremony of the Olympic Winter Games opened with a march into the Stadium by the representatives of the 28 competing nations, bearing their national flags and taking up position in front of the Tribune of Honour on either side of a large table, on which were arrayed the gold medals and diplomas.

The prize winners then entered the Stadium led by the three winning teams of the military and ski-patrol race, while the bob-team brought up the rear.

As the prizes were distributed by the Chairman of the International Olympic Committee, Count Baillet-Latour, the respective national flags were hoisted on the three masts, the national flag of

the gold medal winner being hoisted on the centre mast, while the national flags of the silver and bronze medal winners were hoisted on the masts at the side.

SALUTE FIRED

After the prize distribution, the President of the German Organising Committee, Ritter von Halt, accompanied by the Secretary General of the International Committee, Baron le Fort, went to each flag bearer of the 28 nations, and while Ritter von Halt pinned the souvenir medal of the Fourth Olympic Winter Games to each flag, a salute of honour was fired by artillery stationed on the mountain, the echo ringing down into the valley.

Count Baillet-Latour then stepped to the microphone and declared the Fourth Olympic Winter Games 1936 to be ended, at the same time expressing his sincerest thanks to Chancellor Hitler, the town of Garmisch-Partenkirchen and the organisers of the Games.

CLOSING SCENES

During the speech of Count Baillet-Latour the hundreds of thousands rose, while the five-ringed Olympic flag was slowly hoisted down, and the Olympic fire extinguished. Cannon saluted again, and torchlights pierced the darkness, illuminating the snow-covered mountains.

Magnesium flares suddenly burst forth on either side of the ski-jump, and six members of the German ski-team, appeared, following each other in rapid succession, disappearing in the darkness.

They returned in a few minutes entering the Stadium with the Olympic Flag, which they presented to Count Baillet-Latour. To the accompaniment of brilliant fireworks the prize winners, flag bearers and representatives of the 28 nations marched out of the Stadium.

TELEVISION NEWS SERVICE

CHANCELLOR'S THANKS

Garmisch-Partenkirchen, Feb. 17. On Chancellor Hitler's behalf, the Reichminister of Interior, Frick, issued a statement here expressing the Chancellor's gratitude and high appreciation to all persons and associations who contributed to the success of the Olympic Winter Games which, so the statement affirms, the Chancellor had followed with the keenest interest.

Frick adds an expression of his own thanks to the organising committee as well as to the Army, Post Office, railways and all other organisations concerned.

Chancellor Hitler likewise addressed a personal letter of thanks to Count Baillet-Latour, President of the International Olympic Committee.

FRANCESE NEWS SERVICE.

RAILWAY MINISTER ON
INSPECTION TOUR

Shanghai, Feb. 17. Chinese press reports state that Mr. Chang Kai-ngan, the Minister of Railways, is proceeding to Canton on Wednesday by the s.s. President Grant to inspect the Chuchow-Shaoquan section of the Canton-Hankow Railway.

Reuter.

SYNTHETIC RUBBER

Berlin, Feb. 16.

The verdict of experts on the synthetic rubber to which Chancellor Hitler referred enthusiastically at the opening of the Motor Exhibition last Sunday is that the product is good, but five times more expensive than the natural raw material.

Reuter.

NEWS SUMMARY

The Girl Guide Headquarters, Sandlands Hut, was the scene of the presentation of a Medal of Merit to Mrs. C.E.L. Grist yesterday, which ceremony was performed by the Guide Commissioner, Lady Southern.

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Judgment was delivered by the Full Court yesterday in the appeal brought by the Hon. Sir William Shenton and Mr. M. H. Turner, trustees of the will of the late Sir Paul Chater, against the decision of the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, in holding that estate duty was payable on the excess of an annuity bequeathed by the will to the late Lady Chater.

The appeal was dismissed with costs.

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"Shellback" gives a very interesting resumé regarding last Sunday's yachting when due to no winds no decisions were arrived at.

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The funeral of the late Mr. P.J. Julian, I.S.O., a Government pensioner, who died at his residence, at No. 37, Robinson Road on Sunday afternoon, at the age of 69 years, after a very short illness, took place at the Roman Catholic Cemetery yesterday evening.

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The fraudulent conversion of sums amounting to nearly \$10,000 formed the subject of a charge against a Chinese, who appeared before Mr. Baillet at the Central Magistracy yesterday. It was alleged that the money in question was left by a retired merchant in the trust of a friend for the purchase of some property.

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A Chinese who appeared at the Central Magistracy yesterday charged with possession of counterfeit 10 cents pieces, claimed that he had purchased the coins in question while on a visit to Canton.

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Remarking that the use of hypodermic syringes and an anaesthetic made the treatment according to Western medicine, Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy yesterday, convicted Lau Wai-man, a Chinese doctor, on a charge of practising as a surgeon without being registered, and imposed a fine of \$500; in default, four months' hard labour.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL

The French cruiser Lamotte-Piquet is arriving in Hong Kong from Haiphong on February 27 for a stay of five days before proceeding north. Vice-Admiral J. P. Esteva, C-in-C. of the French Navy in the Far East, will be aboard. The Lamotte-Piquet replaces the cruiser Primoguet as the flagship. The French Consul-General and Madame Leurgan are giving a reception in honour of the admiral at 13, Peak Road on February 27 from 8 to 11 p.m.

The French Consulate has been asked to give publicity to the famous Triennial Festival of Nan-giao which is being celebrated at Hue, capital of Annam, on March 9 and 10. The event is unique for the sumptuous display of antique customs and costumes and for its revival in the most genuine form of the brilliance of ancient China.

Local estate to the value of \$23,000 was left by the late Mr. Samuel Baker, retired marine engineer, who died at 23 Church Road, Osterley Park, Isleworth, Middlesex, on December 8, 1935. Letters of administration have been granted to Mr. H. J. Armstrong, solicitor, the lawful attorney.

Hong Kong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day totalled 0.11-inch. The total since January 1 is 2.93 inches, against an average of 2.21 inches.

The German cruiser Karlsruhe, after a stay of ten days in Hong Kong, left at noon yesterday for Shanghai, in continuation of her tour.

The Board of Directors of The Hong Kong Land Investments and Agency Co., Ltd. have declared a Final Dividend of \$1 per share which, together with the Interim Dividend of \$1 per share already paid, makes \$2 per share in all for the year 1935.

Three cases of Diphtheria were reported to the Health Authorities for the 48 hours ended on Sunday.

BATTLE OF ENDERTA VICTORY

Italians Gain Possession Of Mountain Chain

("Hong Kong Daily Press" Special)

Asmara, February 17. The battle for the possession of the 3,000-meter high chain of mountains of Amba Aradam, termed officially by the Italians "Battle of Enderta," ended by the storming of the mountain chain and the highest peak by detachments of the Italian "23rd of March" Blackshirt division under the command of the Duke of Pistoia.

Italian artillery and air force played an important part in the battle, and the fighting lasted several days. By the outcome of the battle the road leading into the Buja plain is now open to the Italians. The capture of the Aradam mountain is strategically of great importance, since the troops of Ras Mulgeta will no longer be able to effect a junction with the forces of Ras Seyoum and Ras Kassa, and may therefore be forced to retire from the Tembien district.

The strength of the Abyssinian forces engaged in the fighting of the last few days is estimated at about 80,000 men, who, it is said, were partly commanded by white officers. The Abyssinian artillery, it is said, was rapidly silenced by the accurate fire of the Italians.

The Italian Supreme Command highly praises the courage of the Abyssinians, who tried again and again to advance under the heaviest fighting.

The military and even perhaps the political effects of this victory, which the Italians claim to be of the same importance as the Graziani victory on the south front, can hardly be foreseen. It is, however, predicted that the Battle of Enderta will win a place in history as one of the most important, most decisive actions of the present Italo-Abyssinian war.—*Transocean News Service.*

ITALIAN VICTORY

Asmara, Feb. 16. The Italian forces lost under 500 dead and 1,000 wounded, while the Ethiopians' dead are estimated at 5,000 in the battle of Enderta, the first major Italian operation on the Northern Front since the capture of Makale. The battle involved the advance of the Italian by ten miles, in a southerly direction.

The battle began on February 10 and was concluded victoriously last night, when the Black Shirt units planted the Italian flag on the summit of Amba Aradam, a 9,000-foot natural barrier, five miles wide, blocking the road to Amba Aradam.

The battle was the first in which the Ethiopian regular army encountered the Italian war machine's full force. Moreover, Italian white troops were exclusively engaged. Over 72,000 Italian troops participated in the battle, and a native division was held in reserve.

ETHIOPIANS DISLODGED

Some 25,000 khaki clad Ethiopian regulars, commanded by Ras Mulu Geta, were dislodged from Amba Aradam by the Italian pioneers' action.

It is estimated that the Ethiopians under Ras Mulu Geta are supported by 50,000 troops in strong rear positions.

The Italian artillery played a decisive part in the battle. Mountain guns, closely followed the Italian infantry's advance, while heavy guns shelled the positions of the defenders up to ten miles away. No tanks participated in the action.

Torrential showers daily distressed the troops and disturbed operations.—*Reuter.*

SURPRISE ATTACK

Asmara, Feb. 16. February 13 was a day of great consolidation. A heavy rain seriously impeded operations.

A force of Ethiopians, estimated at 2,500, made a surprise attack on the left flank and surrounded a battalion of the Sabauda Division. But this, helped by Italian artillery, fought its way out of the position, inflicting heavy losses on the Ethiopians and losing only 18 killed and 64 wounded itself.

On February 14, despite the rain making the take-off of aeroplanes most difficult, Italian machines bombed strong Ethiopian reinforcements which were on their way to the lines.

On February 15, the Italian advance was resumed. On both flanks the troops moved again. The Ethiopians desperately attacked the Italian columns as they ascended the Amba Aradam and every available man and machine-gun was hurled into the fight.

BAYONET CHARGES

The Italians repeatedly charged with their bayonets the ragged Ethiopian lines, and the black warriors, armed with long curved

DEFENCES OF BRITAIN

Expenditure On The Services

London, Feb. 17. Supplementary defence service estimates were issued to-day as follows:

Navy £4,850,000, Army £1,350,000, Air Services £1,611,000. The Navy estimate is due to 3,500 additional personnel being required in the revised estimate of numbers of officers, seamen, boys and Royal Marines borne on the books of H.M. ships at Royal Marine Division and at Royal Air Force establishments now being 97,897.

The Army estimate is due to special measures taken in connection with the Italo-Abyssinian dispute, restoration of remainder of emergency abatements from remuneration pay, etc., and Singapore defences.

The net total is reduced by £400,000, representing the Army share of the Jutland of the Sultan of Johore.

The extra Air Services estimate is also mainly for expenditure consequent upon special measures taken in connection with the Italo-Abyssinian dispute.

Additional expenditure on Royal Air Force expansion accounts for £604,000.—*British Wireless.*

SOVIET SOUNDS WAR NOTE

Japanese Report Of Preparations

Changchun, Feb. 17. "Insolent and unworthy of attention" is how official circles describe the protest from Ulanbator claiming Olkhonka is Outer Mongol territory and Japanese-Manchukuo troops are responsible for the clash there.

Although news of Japanese-Manchukuo troop movements are being repressed, a Japanese press "release" dilates on the Soviet's allegedly ominous military preparations.

The general tenor of the press release is illustrated by a despatch saying that secret orders have been issued to all Soviet wireless stations "to prepare for approaching war conditions."—*Reuter.*

MOSCOW DENIAL

("Hong Kong Daily Press" Special)

Moscow, Feb. 17. Japanese Press reports alleging that all Japanese nationals have been either expelled from or advised to leave Vladivostok are emphatically denied by the official press agency here, which adds that it has also been authorised by the Soviet Government to declare untrue the Japanese press reports stating that a political, military and economic pact has been concluded between the Soviet Union and the Sinkiang authorities.—*Transocean News Service.*

ITALIANS DESIGN FASHIONS

Sanction Reprisal Against France

("Hong Kong Daily Press" Special)

Paris, Feb. 17. Three thousand five hundred models for dresses are stated by the Rome correspondent of "Le Jour" to have been designed by Italian "national fashion committee" for the coming spring season.

These models will—by way of reprisals for sanctions—be substituted for those of French dress-making establishments which, so the paper observes, will have to pay the costs of the French Government's mistaken policy towards Italy.—*Transocean News Service.*

NEW GOVERNOR OF MALTA

London, Feb. 18. Lieut.-Gen. Sir Charles Bonham-Carter has been appointed Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Malta, in succession to General Sir David Campbell, who has been permitted to relinquish the post for reasons of health. The new Governor has been Director-General of the Territorial Army since 1933. He has had a

LEFT WINGERS JUBILANT

Paris Press Voices Indignation

("Hong Kong Daily Press" Special)

Paris, Feb. 17. The two leading organs of the front, the Communist "Humanite" and the Socialist "Populaire" gloat over the success of the monster demonstration staged here by the Left Wingers on Sunday and which according to them estimate that it was attended by several hundred thousand persons, and presage as a consequence further demands by the Left Wing groups in view of the dissolution of all Right Wing organisations.

The Right Wing press, on the other hand, voices its indignation that such "illegal manifestations" had been permitted to take place and point out that police permission had not been obtained by the Left Wingers three days before holding the demonstration as the law demands.

"The Government alone is responsible for unleashing this revolutionary wave," writes the "Echo de Paris" which declares that it was a sorry spectacle for Parisians to be forced to watch for hours the passing of Red flags and to listen to the tune of the Internationale.—*Transocean News Service.*

OBITUARY

Father Herbert Vaughan

London, Feb. 17. The death has occurred of the Very Rev. Father Herbert Vaughan, D.D., Superior of the Catholic Missionary Society, who was born in London in 1874.

Educated at Oratory School, Oscott, and Rome, he was ordained at Courtfield by his uncle, Cardinal Vaughan in 1900.

He was founder and editor of the Catholic Gazette. His other religious activities were Chairman of Catholic Reading Guild, on Committee of Catholic Truth Society, Rescue Society, Rector of the Catholic Church at Willesden Green, and on the Board of the Catholic Times.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

S.M.R. ENGINES FOR CHINA

"Goodwill" Order From Nanking

Tientsin, Feb. 17. Acting upon the advice of Japanese authorities in China, the Nanking Government has ordered from the South Manchuria Railway Company 15 locomotives valued at \$1,600,000 for use on the Lunghai Railway.

The order is considered a token of goodwill and the first step toward improved Sino-Japanese economic relations. The Lunghai Railway is to send engineers to Dairen some time this month to supervise construction of the units in the S. M. R. Sakako workshops in Dairen. In the past rolling stock for China has been purchased from Great Britain, Germany and other countries, but never from Japan.

A Dairen dispatch reports that the Dairen Machine Works and the Japan Car Manufacturing Company have signed contracts with General Yen Hai-shan, pacification commissioner of Shansi Province, for 337 passenger and freight cars worth \$740,000, to be used on the Taiyuan-Puchow Railway.

These are the first sizeable contracts signed in North China for Japanese goods since the establishment of the Hopen-Chahar Political Council. Representatives of the Japanese concerns recently visited Taiyuan, the capital of Shansi, at the request of General Yen and came away with the contracts.—*Union News.*

distinguished military career, having served in the South African War and the Great War. In the latter, he won many honours, British French and American. He was Director of Staff Duties at the War Office from 1927 to 1931, and Commander of the Fourth Division from the latter year until 1933.—*Reuter.*

BRITISH ACTION AT GENEVA

Mr. Eden Replies To Italian Note

London, Feb. 17.

A reply has been made to the note which was communicated to the Foreign Secretary by the Italian Ambassador in London and set forth the views of the Italian Government on the memorandum forwarded by the British Government to the President of the Coordination Committee on January 22 on the subject of the third paragraph of Article Sixteen of the Covenant dealing with mutual assistance.

The reply states: "In acknowledging receipt of this communication Mr. Eden has the honour to inform the Ambassador that the position of His Majesty's Government remains as stated in the memorandum in question and they do not feel any useful purpose would be served by prolonging correspondence on the subject."—*British Wireless.*

FA. CUP DRAW

Sixth Round

London, Feb. 17.

The following is the English Football Cup draw for the Sixth Round to be played on February 29:

Chelsea or Fulham v. Derby
Sheffield U. v. Bradford or Tottenham
Grimsby v. Middlesbrough
Newcastle or Arsenal v. Barnsley.—*Reuter.*

HEAVY FOG IN BRITAIN

Shipping Seriously Affected

London, Feb. 17. Besides the Union Castle liner Winchester Castle, which went ashore north of Portland Bill Lighthouse during fog in the Channel last night and left this morning for Southampton under her own steam, there were other shipping casualties caused by heavy fog during the week-end which resulted in serious delays to shipping generally.

The trawler Assama ran ashore at Fimark Head yesterday and efforts to refloat her had not been successful at midnight.

The Danish motorship Gylland was in collision in Harwich harbour with the Trinity vessel, Patricia as a result of which slight damage was done to the latter, but the Gylland was able to continue her journey.

The British steamer Lackenby, which went ashore near Lizard on Saturday, was later refloated and proceeded to Falmouth.

ON LAND

Inland fog caused considerable confusion during the week-end in traffic on roads and some delays on the railways.

The weather was relatively clear in most districts yesterday, but locally the fog was dense and towards midnight traffic on the main roads round London was seriously impeded and in some places motorists found it necessary to abandon their cars.—*British Wireless.*

WINCHESTER CASTLE AROUND

Refloated At High Tide Three Hours Later

London, Feb. 18. The 20,000-ton Union Castle mail liner, Winchester Castle, homeward bound from South Africa with 338 passengers aboard, has gone ashore in dense fog near Portland Bill, off the south coast of England.

A lifeboat, tugs and a destroyer have answered the liner's radio calls for assistance.

It is understood there is no immediate danger.

Later, the Winchester Castle was refloated at high tide three hours after grounding. She was apparently undamaged and proceeded under her own power to Weymouth, Bay where she will land her passengers.—*Reuter.*

ELECTION ORDEAL IN SPAIN CLOSES

Overwhelming Victory For Left Wing Party

("Hong Kong Daily Press" Special)

Madrid, February 17.

The Left Wing parties scored a remarkable success in the elections to the Spanish Cortes on Sunday, according to the reports received early on Monday morning. The Left Wing parties, it is estimated, will enter the new Parliament with about 200 deputies, and will thus be only slightly outnumbered by the combined Centre and Right Wing parties.

The biggest victory of the Left Wing parties was in Catalonia, where in Barcelona alone 100,000 more votes were cast for the Left than for the Right or Centre. The leader of the Catalonian Right Wing party is said to have already fled across the border to France. Adherents of the Left Wing tried to stage a number of "victory demonstrations," but the police intervened and dispersed the gatherings.

The Premier, Portela announced by radio that the Governor-General of Catalonia, belonging to the Right Wing, has resigned in view of the overwhelming majority gained by the Catalan Left Wing party, "Esquerra." A representative of the Catalan Left will probably be appointed to the Governorship on Monday.

In Madrid the Right and Left Wings appear to have polled roughly equally, whereas in the Provinces of Granada, Toledo and Valencia as well as in the Basque Region the Right Wing seem to have polled in the majority.

At midnight of Sunday the Minister of the Interior announced that the Left will probably be represented by 187 deputies in the new parliament, while the Right will enter with 137 and the Centre with 80 deputies. Thus it is again considered to be extremely difficult to form a majority in the new Government.

The election generally passed off quietly throughout the country, although a few persons were killed during street brawls by political adversaries. Particularly the working class population maintained perfect order during the election.—*Transocean News Service.*

SOME INCIDENTS

Madrid, Feb. 16. The elections on Sunday went off quietly on the whole, isolated cases of disturbances only occurring at some provincial places.

A number of ballot urns were destroyed in Valencia, Santander and Bilbao. In Aragon near Coruna, seven Communists who tried to prevent voters from entering the polling booth, were arrested.

In some places polling stations were unable to function, since

Left Wing Radicals either made the formation of the election Committee impossible, or prevented the voters by force to give up their ballot paper. These frustrated elections will be held again later on, probably on Tuesday.

In La Coruna one Communist was killed, when a Civil Guard opened fire on a lorry full of Communists, who failed to obey orders to halt.

Another Communist was shot in San Tullano de Mieres, in an affray between Communists and Fascists, while in Villa, the major member of the Catholic Action lost his life.

The publication of the first election results are expected early on Monday.—*Transocean News Service.*

REVOLUTION RUMOURS

Madrid, Feb. 7. Election results trickling in show that the Left ran the Right very closely in Madrid which usually indicates the general trend, whilst the Left secured a large majority in Catalonia.

Although the Right has not achieved the anticipated success the Centre party scored a definite victory.

It is strongly rumoured that the Left intend to carry out a revolution, win or lose, and that a general strike will possibly be declared. All troops are confined to barracks.—*Reuter.*

DISASTROUS SNOWSTORM IN TURKEY

("Hong Kong Daily Press" Special)

Istanbul, Feb. 17.

More than 100 persons are provisionally estimated to have lost their lives in the course of a violent snowstorm which raged throughout the country over the week-end. Upwards of 16,000 heads of cattle are believed to have also perished.—*Transocean News Service.*

AIRMEN EXPRESS THEIR GRATITUDE

Melbourne, Feb. 17.

The Royal Research Ship Discovery II arrived in Melbourne to-day after rescue of Lincoln Ellsworth and his companion, Kenyon. The airmen expressed gratitude to Great Britain, Australia and New Zealand Governments and members of the Discovery for saving their lives.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

NAZI HEADQUARTERS IN SWITZERLAND

Davos, Feb. 17.

The Comuna at Davos has requested the Nazi Government to remove the headquarters of the Nazis in Switzerland from there. It will be recalled that Davos was the place wherein Wilhelm Gustloff, chief Nazi agent, was assassinated.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

(Other Cables on page 12)

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STEEL COULSON SNOOKER LEAGUE

Results To-Date

The Catholic Union Club return to the head of the League following recent matches. The Royal Welsh Fusiliers Sergeants played their initial game on return from camp, defeating the C.S.C.C. on the latter's table. The Royal Naval Yard Police displace the Dockyard Recreation Club for third position.

D.R.C.	
V. Smith	37
F. Marsh	24
A. Lewis	49
J. Newnham	38
A. Norris	39

C.U.C.	
Mr. Pereira	51
Mr. Santos	75
Mr. Antonio	15
Mr. Da Luz	40
Mr. Barretto	49

C.S.C.C.	
L. Strange	65
L. Billson	23
T. Bendall	59
H. Hillyer	13
B. Bower	3

P.O. Mess	
C. Pile	31
T. Pile	61
Dr. Shaw	49
A. Perry	53
L. MacTavish	47

St. Pats	
D. Santos	53
L. Castillo	28
M. Baptista	46
C. C. Pereira	34
J. C. Remedios	58

Garr. Sgts. Mess	
Sgt. Meedy	43
Sgt. Smith	53
Sgt. Culmore	37
Q.M.S. Mound	45
Sgt. Bowler	38

C. & P.O.	
C.P.O. Darwent	27
Shipw. Savage	53
C. Sto. Morgan	43
C.P.O. Woodhouse	61
C.E.R.A. Todd	19

R.N.Y.P.	
Mr. Down	54
Mr. Bellemey	34
Mr. Fowler	49
Mr. Gwyther	30
Mr. Stafford	73

St. Pats	
M. Baptista	23
J. C. Remedios	24
L. Castillo	21
A. Marcy	47
C. C. Pereira	27

R.E. Mess	
P. Collins	51
S. Morton	54
A. Warr	38
H. Chant	56
H. Wade	67

P.O. Mess	
A. Perry	65
F. Mason	71
Dr. Shaw	30
F. Hill	51
L. McTavish	35

D.R.C.	
Mr. Smith	92
Mr. Norris	33
Mr. Lewis	78
Mr. Ruth	40
Mr. Ash	62

G.S. Mess	
Sgt. Smith	73
Sgt. Bowler	43
Sgt. Culmore	41
Sgt. Butters	32
Q.M.S. Mound	49

R.N.Y.P.	
H. Nicholls	33
W. Stafford	52
J. Gwyther	54
C. Down	85
C. Bellamy	18

R.W.F. Sgts.	
J. Dale	66
A. Cheatham	53
W. Baard	52
F. Freeman	38
W. Solis	35

Q.S.C.C.	
A. Bower	44
C. Strange	89
W. Hillyer	31
H. Westlake	30
J. Bendall	50

Result: R.W.F. Sgts. 3; C.S.C.C. 2.	
C. & P.O.'s	
Mech. Robertson	51
C.P.O. Woodhouse	31
C.E.R.A. Todd	8
C.E.R.A. Edmonds	55
C.P.O. Darwent	18

C.U.C.	
Mr. Pereira	77
Mr. Santos	65
Mr. Gull	78
Mr. Antonio	61
Mr. Da Luz	83

Result: C.U.C. 5; C. & P.O. nil	
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A PLEASANT FUNCTION

Mrs. C. E. L. Grist Honoured

Many people gathered together at the Girl Guide Headquarters, Sandilands Hut, yesterday evening to witness the presentation of the Medal of Merit to Mrs. C. E. L. Grist, Lady Southern, the Guide Commissioner, performed the presentation.

The first ceremony after tea was the enrolment of three Guiders, the other Guiders forming a horseshoe.

Lady Southern in making the presentation said:—

"I have a twofold pleasant task to perform. One is to welcome Mrs. Bartholomew and the Guide Vice-Presidents here to-day, and the other to present Mrs. C. E. L. Grist with the Medal of Merit which has been awarded her from Guide Headquarters. We were asked to present the Medal on February 22, the joint birthday of Chief Scout and the Chief Scout, but that day was impossible for so many of us. So we

to-day, and we look upon it as a celebration of Thinking Day, as February 22 is called in the Guide world. I know that the affectionate thoughts of all Guiders go out to their Chiefs, especially as the recent papers said that they were both suffering from dengue fever. We wish them a speedy recovery with all our hearts and a safe return to their home at Pax after their African tour.

THE DAY'S EVENT

Now to the great event of to-day—the presentation of the Medal of Merit to Mrs. C. E. L. Grist, Deputy Commissioner. No medal has ever been better deserved either for services in Hong Kong or elsewhere. Mrs. Grist has begged me to say nothing about her career, in fact she would have liked me to hand over the Medal when we were alone, or send it by post, such is her modesty. But we all feel that we want to do her honour not only for her untiring devotion to guide work but also for her charming personality, which makes working with her a real joy. Through some private detective work I have discovered that Mrs. Grist became a Guide over 21 years ago. It seems incredible when you look at her.

FIRST CLASS GUIDE

She is a 1st Class Guide, holds all Round Cards, Nursing Armlet and the War Service 1916 badge for interpreting at a Belgian Home. In addition she holds 23 badges. But I am sure she will stop me in a minute, so I will only say that she deserves the Medal alone for her wonderful organisation of the Girl Guide Jubilee last year. All rejoice at this recognition of her work for the Guide Movement and we hope she will help Hong Kong Guiding for many a year to come. She brings the Guide spirit into every day life and we wish her with all affection many happy years in which to wear this Medal of Merit.

The medal was then presented to Mrs. C. E. L. Grist.

LOCAL RUGBY

New Schedule Of Games

Information has been received from the Secretary of the Hong Kong Rugby Club to the effect that there will be no Rugby game this Saturday. On Sunday February 23 the Club will try conclusion with the Hong Kong and Shanghai Banking Corporation while on Saturday February 29 the final of the International Tournament between Ireland and Scotland and Dominions will be played off on the Club ground kick off at 4.15 p.m.

The Charity Seven-a-side Tournament will take place as scheduled.

LEAGUE TABLE DATE

	P.	W.	L.	F.	A.
C.U.C.	13	12	1	50	15
P.O. Mess	15	10	5	47	28
R.N.Y.P.	14	7	7	37	33
D.R.C.	14	7	7	36	34
R.E. Mess	12	6	6	31	29
G.S. Mess	12	6	6	31	29
C.S.C.C.	14	5	7	31	39
R.W.F. Sgts.	8	6	2	22	18
C. & P.O. Club	13	2	11	19	46
St. Pats Club	13	3	10	18	46

Highest Break in the League to Date W.F. Stafford 31.

LADIES YACHT RACE Fourth Extra Series

The Ladies Fourth Extra Series was held by the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club yesterday over a course of 8 miles, Quarry Bay Mark (P), Kowloon Rocks (S), Rumsey Shoal Mark (P), N. Mark on Line, Quarry Bay Mark (S), Club Line. Details follow:—

	Finished	Corr.	Pos.	Pts.	Total
Carpenter, A1 (Miss L. C. Edwards)	18.48.24	—	4	9	18
Lobo, A2 (Mrs. E. B. Edwards)	18.40.09	—	3	10	31
Joos, A3 (Miss M. Larsen)	18.39.37	—	2	11	39
Gull, A9 (Mrs. F. Owen Hughes)	18.50.45	—	6	7	26
True Blue, A11 (Miss E. Walker)	18.34.24	—	1	13	32
Pat, A12 (Mrs. D. W. Farnse)	18.49.17	—	5	8	16
Painted Lady, A14 (Mrs. E. Booty)	17.01.07	—	7	6	20
"I, Y & G" CLASSES—STARTED AT 14.55.					
Stella, Y1 (Mrs. M. Ellerby)	18.59.46	16.45.46	4	12	33
Heron, Y3 (Mrs. E. Moore)	17.04.30	16.50.30	5	11	23
Widgeon, Y5 (Mrs. K. A. Bilderbeck)	18.59.15	18.44.35	3	13	36
Zephyr, Y8 (Mrs. M. E. Hindson)	18.59.20	18.44.00	1	16	41
Sirius, G7 (Mrs. Cooper)	17.06.04	16.44.04	2	14	48
Lola, G9	DNF.	DNF.	24	24	24
Owl, G11	DNF.	DNF.	10	10	10
"H" CLASS—STARTED AT 15.05.					
Colleen, H2 (Mrs. P. F. Foley)	18.59.59	18.54.39	2	5	9
Rolla, H3 (Miss B. M. Kirke)	18.59.24	18.59.24	3	4	16
Dorothea, H9 (Miss H. De Beaulieu)	17.00.30	16.53.50	1	7	19

H.K. GOLF CLUB

Results To-Date

J. D. Hutchison & vbs
J. D. Hutchison & Co. received a walk-over from Gilman and Co. in the semi-final of the Stubbs Shield and will now meet the P.W. D. in the final.

The semi-finals of the Junior Championship resulted as follows:—
W. A. Stewart beat W. C. Sheehan 3 and 1. H. Lafford beat Comdr. G. F. Hole 4 and 3.
In the Adamson Cup, February 7, qualifying competition played at Happy Valley from February 7 to 16, A. D. Fraser with a card of 82-17-65 and S. E. Edgar with 85-20-65 both qualified.

YACHTING NOTES

Light Airs And No Results

The Yacht Club's Cruiser racing programme suffered a further reverse on Sunday, when the fifth Championship race round Cheung Chau had to be abandoned for lack of wind; the Cruisers are thus left with two results on hand and the Four Tonners with three.

Both Classes were away to a light East wind, with spinners set for the run down the harbour; the going was quite fair until West Point when the wind fell right away and from then on it never looked very much like being a race. The four Tonners were well bunched up as they came out through the Sulphur Channel, but the Cruisers had started to string out with La Cigale and U. & I. in the lead, while Azuma and Wanderer were holding up further North and left Green Island to Port.

CORRECT TACTICS

These tactics seemed to be correct at the start and Azuma was well ahead of the rest of the fleet by the time she had got to the South of Kaichau; however, by here the East wind got tired and gave up, and the yachts after a period of calm were soon off again to light Westerly airs. Down to the South by Lingding, there appeared to be a quite fresh South Easterly breeze blowing, but it seemed to have no intention of spreading over to the course the yachts were on. West Wind and Penguin, however, had the courage of their convictions and went off to look for it, with the result that they were soon sailing away far ahead of the rest of the fleet.

THE ORDER

West Wind turned the mark first followed by Penguin, U. & I. Azuma and La Cigale, the last named having lost heavily by going too far North when nearing Cheung Chau. To the West of the island the winds were light so

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ROME BULLETIN.

[Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).]

Rome, Feb. 16.
As a rule no war bulletins are published on Sundays, but to-day the Ministry of Propaganda has issued an official Bulletin No. 125, which states that since Sunday morning a "big battle" has been in progress south of Makale, the exception is made. No further details are added, except that the fighting resulted from an offensive initiated by the Italians on February 11.—
Transocean News Service.

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ESTATE APPEAL DISMISSED WITH COSTS

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NOT IN AGREEMENT

"Nor am I in agreement with the second submission made for the appellants. I agree with the judgment on this point of Sir Atholl MacGregor, C.J. in the Court below. Apart from the case of A.G. v. Watson (supra) the other judgments relied on A.G. v. Owen (1899) 2 Q.B. 253; In re Campbell, (1902) 1 K.B. 113; In re Waller (1916) 1 Ch. 153; established no more than that where a testator will directs the settling aside out of his estate of a fund to answer annuities, such a fund becomes settled property, and were most carefully worded to make clear that this principle should not necessarily be interpreted to conclude the case of a simple gift of an annuity in general terms where there is no trust for payment of the annuity out of a particular fund (per Stirling L.J. in re Campbell (supra)). It is true that the decision in A.G. v. Watson (supra) goes a step further in holding that the gift of an annuity simpliciter does give the annuitant an interest in the testator's residuary estate, but this decision and that in the later case of A.G. v. Cook (1921) 3 K.B. 807, where an annual payment was charged on four-fifths of the residuary estate, go no further than to say that the interest of the annuitant in such a case is such an interest as, though it does not actually pass to any other person on the annuitant's death, yet is deemed so to pass in accordance with the provisions of sec. 2 (1) of the Finance Act, 1894 (37 and 58 Vict. c. 30). That sub-section is the source of s. 2 of s. 5 of the Estate Duty Ordinance, 1932, and it seems clear therefore that Lady Chater had an interest, ceasing on her death, in her husband's residuary estate which must be deemed to have passed on her death and to have therefore attracted estate duty to the extent to which a benefit accrued or arose by virtue of the ceasing of such interest. Were that not so, the appellants need not have called the provision of s. 25 of the Ordinance to their aid.

"I do not, however, think there is substance in Mr. Macnamara's argument that because the will gave Lady Chater this interest in her husband's residuary estate it follows that her interest was itself in the nature of settled property.

HEAD POISONED

Damages For Woman

London, Jan. 22.
A claim against a hairdresser, based on an allegation that a woman had suffered injury as the result of the application of a hair dye, came before Mr. Justice Atkinson, in the King's Bench Division, yesterday.

Miss Travis O'Neill, of Store-street, W.C., sued Mr. Ignatius di Majo, a hair dresser carrying on business in the same street.

Mr. Tristram Beresford (for Miss O'Neill) said that she had not had her hair dyed before, and she wanted some hair darkened. She consulted Mr. di Majo, who used a preparation which he recommended.

No test was applied. Subsequently, Miss O'Neill's head became sore, and, in the end, she had treatment at University College Hospital. It was found that her head was badly poisoned, and she had dermatitis of the scalp.

The defence was a denial of warranty, or breach of warranty. Mr. di Majo denied negligence, and said that Miss O'Neill knew the risk of injury, but voluntarily elected to have her hair treated.

Miss O'Neill gave evidence.

"USED IT ON HIMSELF"

Giving evidence, Mr. di Majo (who appeared in person), said he told Miss O'Neill that the preparation concerned was quite good; he had used it on many people, and used it on himself every six weeks.

When Miss O'Neill asked if there was any danger, he told her that there might be, but trouble very seldom occurred. He applied a test, in accordance with the directions, by dabbling some of the preparation on Miss O'Neill's arms to see if it would be harmful to her. The test did not show Miss O'Neill as hypersensitive.

There were notices in his establishment, stating that dyeing was done at the customer's own risk.

Giving judgment, Mr. Justice Atkinson said that he did not believe Mr. di Majo applied any test as directed by the makers of

ESTATE DUTY ORDINANCE

"Section 25 of the Estate Duty Ordinance, 1932, reads as follows:—

(1) If estate duty has already been paid in result of any settled property since the date of the settlement, upon the death of one of the parties to a marriage, no estate duty shall be payable on the death of the other party to the marriage unless such person was at the time of his or her death or had been at any time during the continuance of the settlement competent to dispose of such property.

(2) For the purposes of this section, the term settlement means any deed, will, agreement for a settlement or other instrument, or any number of instruments, whether made before or after or partly before and partly after the commencement of this Ordinance, under or by virtue of which instrument or instruments any property, or any estate or interest in any property, stands for the time being limited to or in trust for any persons by way of succession, and the term settled property means the property comprised in a settlement.

"In my view s. 2 (2) must be read to mean that a will or other instrument is a settlement only if it directs the appropriation of certain specific property, or an estate or interest in certain specific property, to, or in trust for, any person for life. Here the will directed no such appropriation.

"This view is supported by statements in Hanson's Death Duties (8th edition) at p. 105 'an annuity simpliciter would not apparently be settled property,' in Harman's Finance Act (4th edition) at p. 79 'an annuity charged on corpus with power to set aside a fund to answer the annuity is not, it is submitted, settled property. The test seems to be whether the annuity is equivalent to a life interest, i.e. is to be paid only out of the income from a fund directed to be set aside for the purpose which goes over on the ceasing of the annuity; and also by the cases cited by Mr. Potter for the respondent, in re Earl of Carnarvon's Settled Estates, (1927) 1 Ch. 139, and re Lord Allington and the London County Council's Contract, (1927) 2 Ch. 253, which decided that the existence of a rent charge or jointure, charged on an estate in an owner in fee, had not made the estate a settled estate.

BRITISH CHESS CONGRESS

Masters' Tournament

London, Jan. 27.
A meeting of the executive committee of the British Chess Federation was held in the rooms of the City of London Chess Club, Wardrobe Court, E.C., on Saturday, Major E. Montague Jones, chairman of the committee, presiding.

Arrangements for the congress at Nottingham in August were completed. The principal event in this will be the Masters' Tournament, which will be held in the rooms of the Nottingham University College from August 10 to August 28, inclusive. There will be 15 competitors in this event, and the invitations to compete will be sent out shortly. The prizes are £200, £150, £100, and £75, and not less than £200 will be distributed among those competitors who do not win a prize. The ratio of distribution will be the final scores of these competitors.

The general arrangements for this tournament will be that play will take place in the afternoon and evenings, with such rest days as may be found convenient.

The general congress of the Federation will be held in other rooms of the College from August 17 to August 28 inclusive. All the usual tournaments of the annual congress will be played, with the exception of the British Championship, as several of the players eligible to compete in that event will be playing in the Masters' Tournament. For the Major tournament this year the prizes have been increased, and they will be £25, £20, £15, and £10.

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OBITUARY

Mr. P. J. Julyan

It is with deep regret that we have to record the death of Mr. Peter James Julyan, I.S.O., a Government pensioner, which occurred at his residence, at No. 37, Robinson Road on Sunday afternoon, after a very brief illness.

The late Mr. Julyan who was 69 years of age, was until his retirement a member of the Senior Clerical and Accounting Staff of the P.W.D. (Class II). He joined the Government in 1895, prior to which he was a writer in H. M. Naval Yard from 1888 to 1891, and during the years 1891 to 1894 was Chief Clerk in H. M. Ordnance Department.

His first post with the Government was that of 2nd Clerk, P.W.D., and subsequently, he acted as First Clerk and as Clerk of Councils, Colonial Secretariat. In 1901, he was appointed First Clerk to the P.W.D., and in 1913 became Senior Clerk. In 1927 he was promoted to Class II Senior Clerical and Accounting Staff, which grade he held when he retired on pension a few years ago.

In recognition of Mr. Julyan's long and faithful services, he was awarded the Imperial Service Order on the birthday of his late Majesty King George V in 1926.

Much sympathy will be extended to his family and relatives. His son, the late Mr. P. T. F. Julyan, was formerly on the editorial staff of the "China Mail."

THE FUNERAL

The funeral took place yesterday evening at the Roman Catholic Cemetery, the Rev. Fr. Spada, performed the burial services both at the Chapel and at the grave-side.

The principal mourners at the funeral were Peter (son) and Mr. A. Tavares (son-in-law).

Among the gathering who assembled together to pay their last respects were Messrs. F. X. Delgado, P. Elms, C. Franco, P. Casillo, G. Tavares, A. Castilho, L. Lopes, A. J. Delgado, J. Tavares, H. Dixon, L. Santos, C. E. Tavares, A. Elms, L. Gardner, A. R. Purves, W. Woodward, C. W. E. Bishop, J. H. Bendall, H. W. J. Summison and others.

By special request, no flowers were sent.

ARMED ROBBERY RECALLED

Six Men Charged

As a result of an armed robbery and the loss of six chickens, six Chinese appeared before Mr. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday, charged with armed robbery at an unnumbered match at Kowloon Tong on the morning of January 31, 1936.

Complainant in the case is a Chinese gardener named Lau Lu. Inspector Chester-Wood prosecuted.

As outlined by the prosecution, it appears that on the morning of the 31, Inspector Chester-Wood led a party of police to a village in Kowloon Tong, and in a hut there he saw four of the defendants. A search was made of the hut, but nothing suspicious was found.

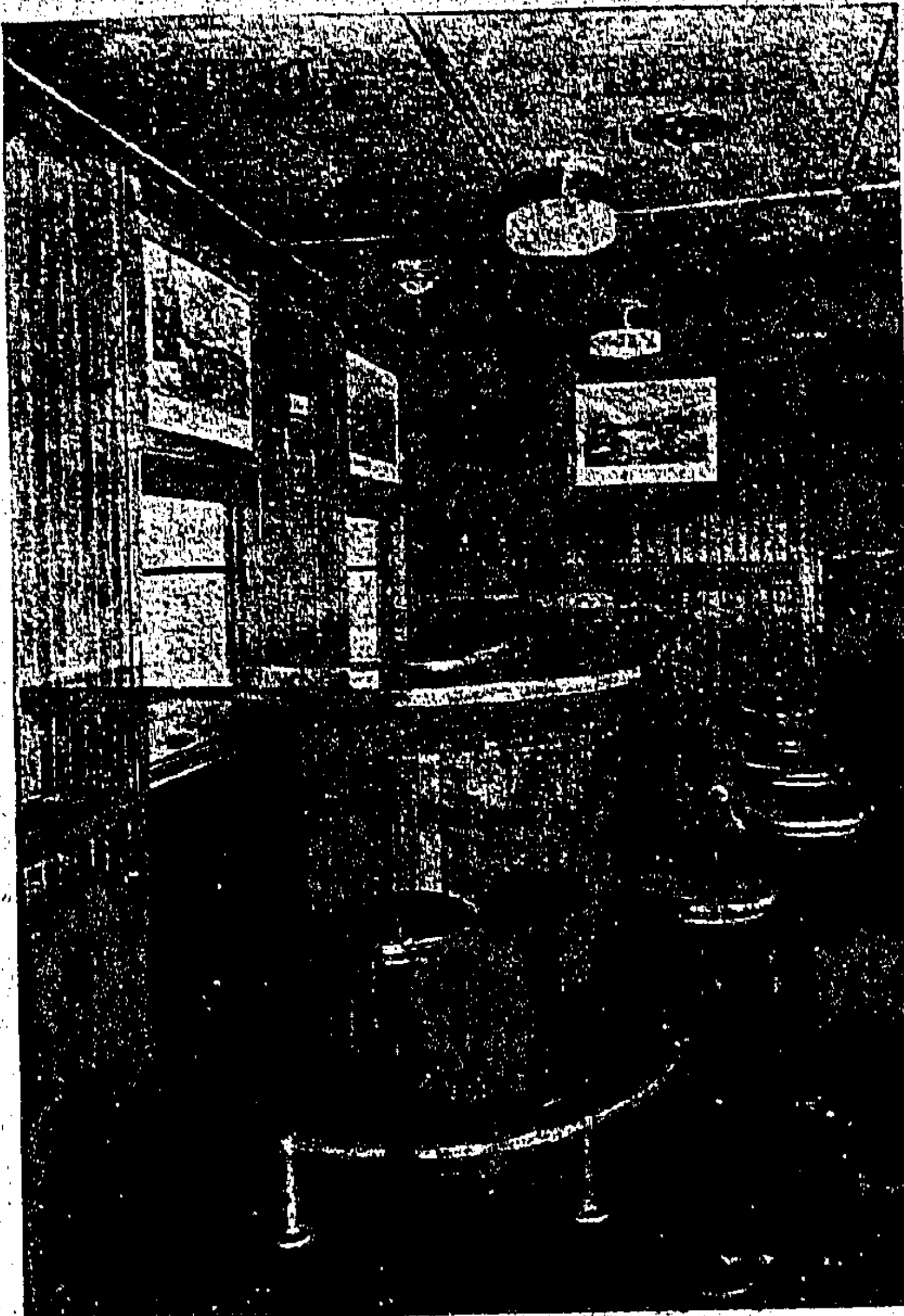
At about 3.25 that same morning, complainant came to the station and made a report of the robbery.

Giving evidence Lau Lu said that he was a gardener and lived in the match where the crime took place. At about 12 midnight on January 31 he was awakened by cries from the boy named Cheung Chee. Witness heard him say "Why am I being tied up?" Then witness saw three men standing at the door of his cubicle one of whom was Li Shing who carried a lamp and a small knife the other two had poles.

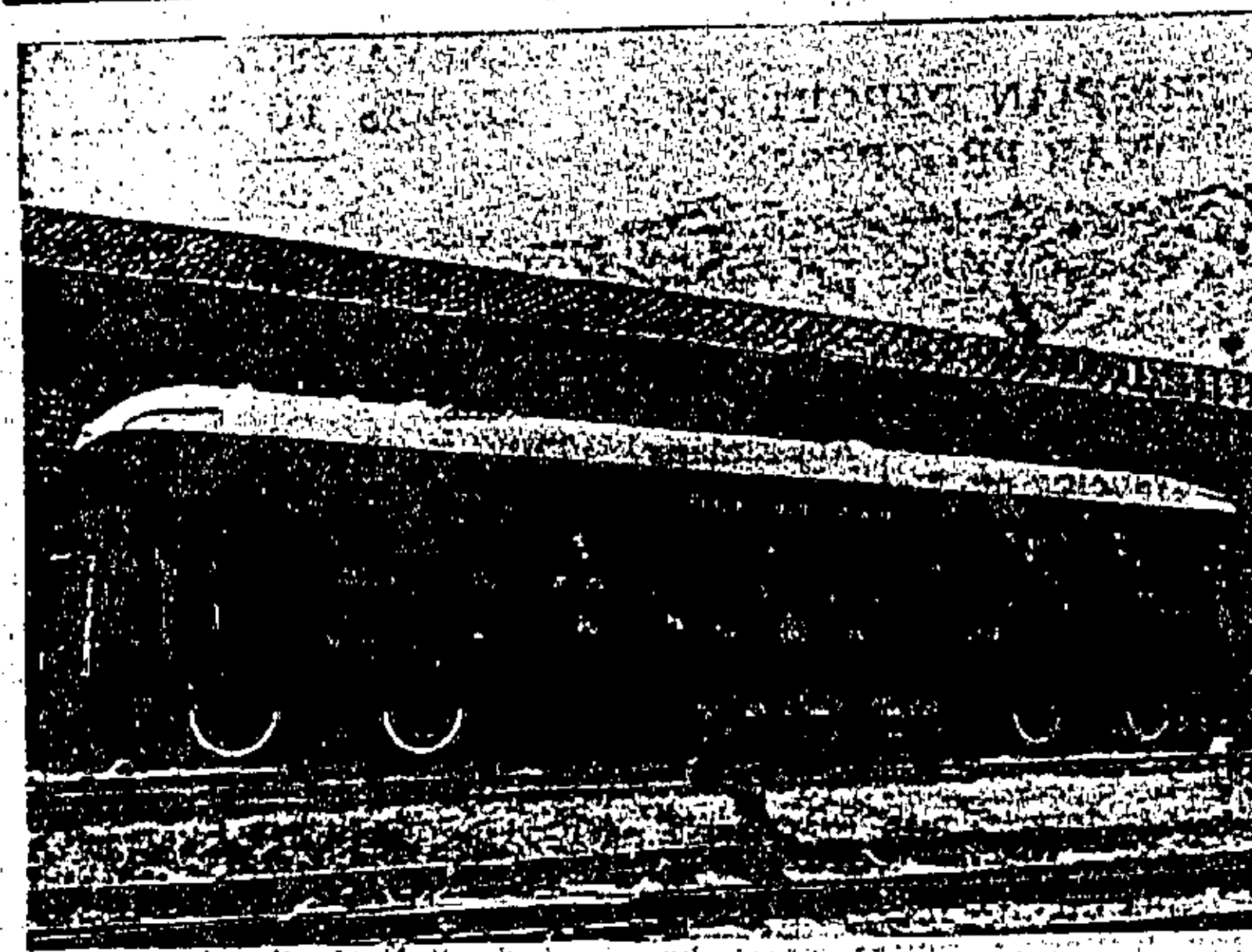
They told witness not to shout but as he tried to tell the other inmates not to make a noise, the two men thrust him with their poles. However he managed to get out of the hut and shouted. The men then made their exit and witness armed himself with a pole and gave chase but they soon disappeared from view.

He then went to the Police station and reported the robbery also reporting the loss of six chickens and a felt hat.

In evidence, Mr. A.M.S. Major A.S.P. said that on the January 31 he held an identification parade at which five defendants were present. The only man picked out by the witnesses was Li Shing. The case was at this stage adjourned.



Interior of the new Buffet Car.



The New Buffet Car on the Kowloon-Canton Railway.

NO GUILTY KNOWLEDGE

Man Discharged for Possessing Counterfeit Coins

Because of the lack of evidence a Chinese named Lui Kam who appeared at the Central Magistracy yesterday charged with possession of 90 counterfeit 10 cents pieces, in Wanchai on January 8, was discharged by Mr. W. Schofield, the Magistrate.

Inspector A. E. Carey appeared for the prosecution, while Mr. D. S. Curtis, of Messrs. Woo and Woo, represented the accused, who entered a plea of "not guilty."

Outlining the facts of the case, Inspector Carey said that on information received the police went to a shop at No. 268 Lockhart Road, where a Chinese named Chan Chiu, represented himself as the manager. In the cockpit of the shop, where Chan Chiu and his wife lived, the police discovered several counterfeit coins.

Questioned the manager said that they belonged to a friend of his named Lui Kam. The police were then taken to No. 44 Staunton Street, where the accused was found engaged in a game of mah jong. The man was cautioned and it was explained that it was suspected he had possession of counterfeit coin.

VISITED FIRST HOUSE

Lui Kam told the police that he had purchased the Hong Kong coins while he was in Canton, having paid \$22.00 in Shanghai money for his purchase. Both Chan Chiu and Lui Kam returned with the police to No. 268 Lockhart Road, where the accused pointed out a basket as his property. Nothing incriminating was however found in it.

Chan Chiu was subsequently charged and the case came up in the present Court, on two counts for possession and uttering but he was discharged. The accused in the present case was only being charged for possession.

In a statement to the Police, the defendant said "I bought the coins in a railway station in Canton from someone I do not know. I showed them to Chan Chiu, the master, and he said that they were bad. I then gave them to Chan Chiu."

Evidence was then called at the conclusion of which Mr. Cur-

THIEVES CAUGHT

Remand Granted

The theft of handbags belonging to two European ladies employed at two different shops in Kowloon, constituted the charges levied against two Chinese, Chin Tse Hing (25) and Chau Ngan Kan (27) who appeared on remand before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday. A further remand till Wednesday, at 2.30 p.m. was ordered by the Magistrate.

Both accused were charged with the theft of a brown leather bag containing a powder compact, a diary, a comb, fifty-cents and private papers, belonging to Miss E. Brown from the premises of Paul Renet Ladies' Outfitters, No. 180 Nathan Road, on Wednesday last; and with stealing a bag containing sundry articles belonging to Mrs. D. Ribeiro from the Novelty Shop, No. 18 Hankow Road, on Monday last.

First accused admitted the first charge but denied the second, while second accused alleged that he received the diary mentioned in the first charge from first accused without knowing that it had been stolen, and denied the second charge.

Det-Sub-Inspector L. Whant stated that the house in which the defendants lived was searched, following which the second accused volunteered to take the police to a vacant piece of ground where the bag mentioned in the first charge was alleged to have been hidden. The bag was not recovered.

On the second charge, Mrs. D'Almeida would identify the first accused as the man who went to her shop to purchase a certain article, and the complainant would give evidence that she left her purse at the shop.

The bag in connection with the second charge was found by some little boys while playing at Signal Hill, and Mrs. Enid Martin, of No. 64A Nathan Road, the mother of one of the boys, subsequently handed the bag to the police.

It submitted that the accused did not know the coins in question were counterfeit. The accused had actually paid \$1.20 in excess than he should have done.



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FOG AT SEA

Safety Devices
Perfect

Systems promising but not yet perfected, to prevent fog accidents at sea, have come into prominence with three recent serious collisions in European waters, writes a London Correspondent:—

Need for such safety appliances is emphasized by the arrival upon the scene of such ocean townships as those giant steamers the Normandie and the Queen Mary. On August 18, 11 casualties occurred in the Irish Sea in a collision between the steamships Laurentic and Napier. Twelve days later three persons perished in a somewhat similar accident in the English Channel involving the battleship Ramilles and the steamer Eisenach. On September 5, off the Portuguese coast, 700 passengers narrowly escaped when the liner Doric and the steamer Formigny collided.

FOUR MECHANICAL SYSTEMS

In order to reduce such risk in future, four independent mechanical systems are being experimented with to supplement men's vision and hearing which are always liable to fail in thick weather. None of these mechanical systems are yet perfect, the Monitor learns on high authority. None of them so far, has become part of the standardized equipment of sea-going vessels. But all of them appear to have possibilities of utility especially in crowded routes of ocean traffic. They are respectively television, infra-red ray vision, wireless direction finding, and echo-signaling.

Television is a process whereby special rays are made to penetrate fog and to record upon sensitized plates, images of objects otherwise invisible. Such photographs, it has been found, might possibly be effective at least up to short distances. If they could be made to reveal their secrets somewhat more quickly than is now the case, the time taken for their "development" that is, their treatment to enable them to disclose a picture visible to the navigator, has already been reduced to a matter of seconds rather than of minutes, but the time element is still sufficient to interfere with their adoption by ordinary navigators. An oncoming vessel may be detectable before a collision might occur before the ship's course could be adequately changed.

QUICK ACTION

"Infra-red" vision disclosed by recent investigations made by Commander Paul MacNeil may not be impossible to meet this difficulty. This system is so instantaneous in its action that it is claimed to be capable of synchronization with anti-aircraft guns so as to fire them simultaneously with the crossing of the beam by a distant airplane. Its possibilities nevertheless as applied to the detection of ships at sea are still in the experimental stage.

Wireless direction-finding, as under investigation by the Marconi Marine Communication Company here, is also promising. This system enables an oncoming vessel to notify the direction of its approach to other ships which are equipped with the necessary receiving apparatus. Here the apparent amplitude of a signal of constant dimensions indicates nearness of approach. Direction is shown by movement of the receiving instrument so as to obtain maximum results. These occur when the receiving aerial points directly towards the sender of the signal.

NEW INTEREST
IN WINEMerchants Housing
Private Stocks

London, Jan. 22.
"Will you send round two bottles of red wine? Anything, as long as it's drinkable—and not too expensive."

Nowadays wine merchants expect to receive that kind of order. They have become hardened. Yet only 30 years ago the buyer—besides ordering considerably more—would have gone into precise details, and would have expected every instruction to be obeyed.

Wine merchants, proud of their trade, do not like the "leave it to you" attitude. They frankly lament the passing of the old type of buyer, the man who knew what he wanted and who would discuss vintages with the best.

Nevertheless, there is hope of better days. Experts who were consulted by a "Morning Post" representative yesterday, agreed that taste is improving and that another generation of connoisseurs may arise.

WAR INFLUENCE

The decline after the war was inevitable. The influence of the war, a less leisurely age, life in flats, and the doom of the large house—all these contributed.

Big cellars are few nowadays. Wine must be kept at a certain temperature, and it is unreasonable to hope to store it in a pocket-handkerchief flat beside a hotplate or an airing cupboard. The old roomy cellars and basements had their uses.

That is why the cellars of the leading wine merchants so often contain stocks of clients' wines. The merchants are pleased to perform the service. The owners, living possibly in modern, non-basement houses, are glad that their wine has so good a home.

To-day it is the custom to "lay down" one's wine in another person's cellar, where, in perfect surroundings, the bottles can rest in bins and await the call.

The younger generation, brought up during the war or just afterwards, had no opportunity to learn the finer points of wine. Now, it appears, they are taking more interest. The increase in the number of sherry parties may have contributed, for at the moment sherry is the most popular wine. Port has second place.

SHERRY, HOPE CLARET

One old-established London firm has sold more sherry than port in a year, for the first time in the history of the firm. Hocks and clarets are in favour. Although hocks slumped in the war years, and after owing to prejudice, that feeling has long passed.

The days of the private cellar may be ending, but wine merchants hope for a time when young hosts, telephoning from their flats, will speak knowingly of many vintages, and insist, moreover, on getting what they want.

BEST AT A DISTANCE

This system seems to be already workable, so long as the signaling ships are at a considerable distance from one another. On the other hand, it appears to be less reliable in cases where approach has become so near as to make danger of collision imminent.

Echo-signaling depends upon another system. Here the surface of the sea is swept by a beam which returns an echo when it strikes any such obstruction as the side of a ship. This echo is amplified by receiving instruments and its dimensions and the

H. K. STOCK
EXCHANGEYESTERDAY'S OFFICIAL
QUOTATIONS

The market showed signs of improvement with a fairly good demand for most stocks in some cases at advanced rates.

Buyers
China Underwriters, \$1.
Antamoks, \$1.80.
Bagulo Gold, 22 cts.
Benguet Consolidated, \$184.
Rauks, \$11.40.
Venk. Goldfields, \$3.
Peak Trams (old), \$7.
Peak Trams (new), \$22.
China Lights (old), \$11.30.
China Lights (new), \$8.
Electric, \$7.22.
Cements, \$24.
Govt. 4% Loan, 4% Prem.
Sellers
Hong Kong Bank, \$1800.
Union Insurance, \$555.
Wharves (old), \$101.
Providents (old), \$2.
Hong Kong Trams, \$13.
Dairy Farms, \$22.
Sinceres, \$2.70.

Sales
Hong Kong Bank, \$1800.
Antamoks, \$1.80.
Bagulo Gold, 23 cts.
Benguet Consolidated, \$184.
China Lights (old), \$11.35.
Electric, \$7.3.

THE EXCHANGE
MARKET

MESSRS. ROZA BROS.

Silver price, dropped 1/8 over the week-end for both deliveries, quotations being 194 for Ready, and 193 for Forward. Silver advances reported small sellers but there were, no keen buyers. In America the rate was unchanged at 444 for Spot.

The London/New York cross-rate was higher at 499 9/16. New York/London was quoted at 500 1/4.

MARKET

STERLING

A small business was reported at 1/34 for near delivery. The market closed at 1 p.m. with sellers at 1/3 13/16 February, 1/33 March, 1/3 11/16 April and 1/33 May, buyers at 1/16 higher respectively.

U.S. DOLLARS

A small business was arranged at 33 1/16 for cash. There were sellers at 33 February, 32 1/2 March and 32 1/2 April, buyers at 1/16 higher respectively.

SHANGHAI DOLLARS

Sellers were quoted at 109 11/16 for cash.

SHANGHAI MARKET

Sterling opened with sellers at 1/2 7/16 and closed a shade steadier at 1/2 15/32 for Spot. U.S. Dollars opened with sellers at 30 1/16 and closed at 30 1/4 for Spot. Steady.

MARKET

STERLING

A small business was done at 1/32 first half of April and 1/3 11/16 February, 1/33 March, 1/3 11/16 April and 1/33 May, buyers at 1/16 higher respectively.

U.S. DOLLARS

The market closed with sellers at 33 February, 32 1/2 March, 32 1/2 April, buyers at 1/16 higher respectively.

SINGAPORE RAW RUBBER

Latest Singapore Prices

H. B. JOSEPH & CO.

Monday, Feb. 17.

Messrs. H. B. Joseph & Co. received the following quotations in Straits Currency from Singapore for Raw Rubber:—

Buyers
Spot 26 up 1 26 1/2
Apr./June 26 1/2 up 1 26 1/2
July/Sept. 26 1/2 up 1 26 1/2
Oct./Dec. 27 up 1 27 1/2
Sellers
Market—Firm. Sellers reserved.

direction from which it comes enable the position of a vessel to be determined.

It appears to have possibilities well deserving of exploitation. It seems particularly suited for the detection of the presence of icebergs. Nevertheless up to the present, the Monitor understands that the United States Ice Patrol, which for over 20 years has always completely robbed the Northern Atlantic of what was previously one of its major perils to shipping, has so far found itself obliged to depend more upon ship records of actual observations obtained and communicated by wireless than upon any of the new forms of apparatus now under discussion.

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

(Barter Wireless Service)

	February 15.	February 16.
Paris	74 61/64	74 51/64
Geneva	15.15	15.12
Berlin	12.29	12.29
Athens	517 S.	518 S.
Milan	52 3/16	52 3/16
Shanghai		
New York	4.98 3/16	4.99 1/2
Amsterdam	7.28 1/2	7.27 1/2
Vienna		
Prague	119 1/2	119 3/16
Bucharest		
Madrid	36 11/64	
Lisbon		
Hong Kong	29.37 1/2	29.33 1/2
Brussels		
Montevideo		
Belgrade	4.97 1/2	4.98 1/2
Montreal	1 1/2 1/84	1 1/2 1/32
Yokohama		
Helsingfors		
Rio		
Buenos Aires	19 1/2	19 1/2
Silver (Spot)	19 1/2	19 1/2
Silver (Forward)	3 1/4 100 1/2	
War Loan		

Closing Quotations

February 17, 1936.		On New York:—	
On LONDON:—		Bank Bills, on demand 32 1/2	
Telegraphic Transfer 1 1/4		Credit, 60 days sight 3 1/4	
Bank Bills, on demand 1 1/4		On demand 48 1/2	
Bank Bills, 4 months 1 1/4		On demand 48 1/2	
Onight 1 1/4		On demand 48 1/2	
Onight, four months 1 1/4		On demand 48 1/2	
On SINGAPORE:—		On demand 48 1/2	
On Demand 107		On demand 48 1/2	
On SINGAPORE:—		On demand 48 1/2	
On Demand 55		On demand 48 1/2	
On JAPAN:—		On demand 48 1/2	
On Demand 110 1/2		On demand 48 1/2	
On India:—		On demand 48 1/2	
Telegraphic Transfer 1 1/4		On demand 48 1/2	
Bank, on demand 1 1/4		On demand 48 1/2	

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

(Through Seller's Agency)

QUOTATIONS

New York: February 16.	High	Low	Last	Today's	Change
New York/London Cross-rate	—	—	4.98 1/2	5.00 1/2	up
New York Cotton—Mar.	11.38	11.36	11.40	11.39	11 off
New York Rubber—Mar.	16.73	16.73	16.70	16.73	1/2 up
Chicago Wheat—May.	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2	off
Chicago Corn—May.	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2	61 1/2	off
Silver—Official	—	—	—	—	unquoted

Dow Jones Averages	High—1934/35	Low: Feb. 14.	Feb. 15.	Change
30 Industrials	152.67	151.37	152.40	43 up
30 Rails	48.89	48.40	48.75	18 up
30 Utilities	24.08	23.78	23.78	17 up
40 Bonds	103.27	102.68	102.68	103 off
11 Commodity Index	62.10	62.48	62.92	62.80 17 off

Business Done:—1,370,000 shares.

Stock & Div.	Last Sale	Feb. 14	Feb. 15	Stock & Div.	Last Sale	Feb. 14	Feb. 15
Adams Express	134	134		Gold Dust (120)	191	191	
Amer. Can (4)	119	120		Goodyear	30	30	
Am. Cyanamid "B"	36	37		Int. Cement	49	49	
(25c)	36	37		Int. Nick. (60)	49	49	
Am. For. Pwr.	8	8		Int. Tel. & Tel.	18	18	
Am. For. Pwr. 37 1st	—	—		Johns Manville	35	35	
Pt.	—	—		Kennecott (15)	35	35	
Am. Locomotive	30	30		Loews (1)	52	52	
Am. Radiator	24	24		Lorill (120)	24	24	
Am. Smelting	66	67		Mott, Ward	37	37	
Am. T. and T. (9)	177	177		Nat. City Bk. (1)	39	39	
Am. Tob "B" (5)	101	100		Nat. Da P. (120)	22	22	
Am. Waterworks (1)	22	23		Nat. Distillers	29	29	
Am. Waterworks 3d	—	—		Nat. Pwr. & L. (20)	—	—	
pref (6)	—	—		N.Y. Central	36	36	
Anastond Copper	34	34		N. Amer. (50c 4/8)	28	28	
Atch. T. and S. F.	—	—		Pac. Gas (150)	36	36	
(2d)	—	—		Pac. Lng. (3)	—	—	
Auburn Automobile	45	47		Packard Motors	9	9	
Baltimore & Ohio	25	25		Penn. Ry. (1)	35	35	
Bethlehem Steel	45	45		Phl. Petro (1)	44	44	
Boeing Airplane	98	98		Pub. Ser. N.J. (200)	47	47	
Borden Co. (140)	—	—		Radio Corp.	15	15	
Borg. Warner (10c)	—	—		Rey. Tob "B" (3)	—	—	
Cash	108	109		Schenley	—	—	
Canadian Pacific	13	13		Sears Roebuck	58	58	
Caterpillar Tract	—	—		Soc. Vac. (60)	54	54	
Ch. Nat. Bk. (140)	39	39		Srn. Cal. Ed. (150)	152	152	
C.P. Peaks Corp. (250)	72	72		Southern Pacific	27	27	
C.P. Peaks Corp. 2d	—	—		Stan. Brands (1)	34	34	
Ohio (250)	59	59		Stan. Gas	152	152	
Chrysler (10)	59	59		Sta. Oil N.J. (1)	8	8	
Col. Gas & Elec.	17	18		Ster. Pte. (200)	66	66	
Comm. Solv. (40)	89	89		Studebaker Corp.	38	38	
Comm. Stn. (4)	44	44		Texas G. Sps (3)	38	38	
Comm. Stn. 2d	—	—		Transam. Pte. (112)	13	13	
Comm. Oil (20)	—	—		Un. Gar. and Carb	—	—	
Comm. P. (10)	36	36		(140)	61	61	
Comm. Gas N.Y. (2)	—	—		Un. Pac. Ry. (9)	120	120	
Comm. Oil (25)	36	36		Un. Aircraft Corp.	30	30	
Corn Prod (3)	—	—		Un. Air Line Trans.	16	16	
Douglas Aircraft	73	73		United Corp.	8	8	
Du Pont (240)	148	148		Univ. Leaf Tob. (2)	48	48	
Elec. Bond & Share	20	20		Un. Gas Impr. (120)	18	18	
Elec. Bond 3d (15)	—	—		U.S. Rubber	21	21	
Elec. Bond 3d (15)	—	—		U.S. Steel	58	58	
Elec. Bond 3d (15)	—	—		Vandump	25	25	
Elec. Bond 3d (15)	—	—		Warner Bros. Pict.	13	13	
Elec. Bond 3d (15)	—	—		West E. & M. (65)	117	117	
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AMOI & SHANGHAI	"TAIYUAN"	On 19th Feb. 5 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"KWANGTUNG"	On 20th Feb. Noon
SWATOW, FOCHOW, TIENTSIN, CHEFOO, TIENTSIN & DAIKONG	"NANCHANG"	On 20th Feb. 1 p.m.
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"KWANGTUNG"	On 21st Feb. 4 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"KINGYUAN"	On 22nd Feb. 5 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SOOCHOW"	On 22nd Feb. Noon
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SHANTUNG"	On 25th Feb. 5 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"TSINAN"	On 26th Feb. 5 p.m.
SWATOW, FOCHOW, TIENTSIN, CHEFOO & TIENTSIN	"LIANGCHOW"	On 27th Feb. 10 a.m.
HOIHOW & SINGAPORE	"MOINAM"	On 28th Feb. 11 a.m.
HOIHOW, PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	"KAYING"	On 28th Feb. 4 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	"KINGCHOW"	On 29th Feb. 5 p.m.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SUITYANG"	On 1st Mar. 10 a.m.
SWATOW, AMOI, SWATOW, SINGAPORE & PENANG	"ANHUI"	On 3rd Mar. Noon
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	"SZECHUEN"	On 3rd Mar. 5 p.m.
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Haiyang, Douglas, February 18.	Taiyuan, B. & S., February 19.
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Tjisadane, J.C.J. Line, February 20.	Haining, Douglas, February 21.
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Hakozaki Maru, N.Y.K., Feb. 26.

Eumaeus, B. & S., February 28.

Pres. Grant, A.M. Line, Feb. 29.

Sauerland, Johnson's, Feb. 29.

Assama Maru, N.Y.K., March 4.

City of Bristol, Bank Line, March 4.

Nejima Maru, N.Y.K., March 4.

Nankin, E. & A. S.S. Co., March 5.

Taina, B.I. (Apar), March 5.

Col. de Lana, Lloyd Triestino, March 6.

Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., March 6.

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Pres. Doumer, Messageries, March 6.

Ranchi, P. & O., March 6.

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Scharnhorst, Melchers, March 10.

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General Pershing, States Co., March 14.

Goslar, Melchers, March 14.

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TAIYO MARU ... Wednesday, 18th Mar.

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HEIAN MARU (Starts from Kobe) Monday, 9th Mar.

HIKAWA MARU (Starts from Kobe) Monday, 23rd Mar.

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HAKONE MARU ... Saturday, 29th Feb.

SUWA MARU ... Saturday, 14th March

SYDNEY & MELLBOURNE via Manila and Ports.

KITANO MARU ... Saturday, 22nd Feb.

NEPUNA MARU ... Saturday, 22nd Feb.

ATSUTA MARU ... Saturday, 28th Mar.

BOMBAY via Singapore, Penang and Colombo.

TOKIWA MARU ... Friday, 28th Feb.

SOUTH AMERICA (West Coast) via Japan, Honolulu, Los

Angeles, Mexico and Panama.

BOKUYO MARU ... Thursday, 9th Mar.

NEW YORK via Panama.

NOTO MARU ... Wednesday, 4th Mar.

NOTO MARU ... Tuesday, 24th Mar.

LIVERPOOL via Port Said, Beyrouth, Istanbul, Piraeus.

Genoa and Valencia.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang and Rangoon.

HAKODATE MARU ... Saturday, 29th Feb.

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To MARSEILLES via Saigon, Singapore,

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Daily Statement. Clearances.
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BRITAIN'S NEW CRUISERS

Launch Of H. M. S. Newcastle

London, Jan. 26.
The cruiser Newcastle, of the
1933 programme, laid down on
October 4, 1934, was launched at
the yard of Messrs. Vickers-Arm-
strong at Walker-on-Tyne on
Thursday.The naming ceremony was car-
ried out by the Duchess of
Northumberland, but the occasion
was kept as private as possible
because of the death of King
George.Before the laying down of the
Newcastle the yard at Walker-on-
Tyne had been closed ever since
the completion of the steam-
vessel Monarch of Bermuda three
and a half years before.The Newcastle is the first of a
new class of cruisers designed as
an answer to certain foreign ves-
sels. She has a displacement of
9,000 tons, and will be armed with
twelve 6-inch guns in four triple
turrets; eight 4-inch anti-aircraft
guns, and 22 smaller weapons.She will carry eight 21-inch tor-
pedo tubes in two quadruple
mountings, and will be provided
with a catapult and two aircraft.
Her machinery which consists of
the usual geared turbines, is being
built by Messrs. Vickers-Armstrong
at their works at Barrow-in-
Furness. The turbines, of 96,000
horse-power, should produce a
speed of 32 knots.Her sister ship, the Southamp-
ton, is now being built and en-
gined by Messrs. John Brown and
Co., Clydebank. Both vessels
should be completed for sea dur-
ing the present year.Six further cruisers of the same
type are under construction in
various yards. The Sheffield,
Glasgow and Birmingham—of the
1934 programme—should join the
fleet during 1937; and the Liver-
pool, Manchester, and Gloucester
—of the 1935 programme—in
1938.Under our present treaty obliga-
tions, which expire on December
31, 1936, this leaves another 27,000
tons available for cruiser building
in the forthcoming Navy Estimates
for the current year.

PASSENGERS

S.S. SHIRALA

The following passengers left
Hong Kong on Wednesday by s.s.
"Shirala" for Singapore, Penang
and Indian ports:-
Mr. O. A. Lund, Mr. J. C. Wright,
Mrs. C. Brooke Short, Mr. W. J.
Montgomery, Mr. and Mrs. Lam
Hor Chong, Mr. Seto Yin, Mr. Fan
Cheok Lum, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Yue
Kong, Mrs. Hak Hol, Madam
Leong Foo Kiew, Master Chan Tat
Hoong, Mrs. Lai Lye Ying, Master
Leung Siew Leon, Miss M. Gal-
lagher, Mr. Kone Foke Hain, Mrs.
Kone Foke Hain and three
children, Mr. and Mrs. Kung Main

NEWS FROM THE WATERFRONT

Freight And Asiatic Passengers Returns

(BY LONGSHOREMAN).

The freight returns, received
from the Harbour Office during
the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m.
yesterday show a very low ton-
nage movement.The total tonnage of general
cargo carried by vessels to the
Colony was 990 tons, with
British steamers carrying 160
tons.Through cargo for ports be-
yond the Colony amounted to
4,590 tons, of which 3,940 tons
were carried by British steamers.Asiatic deck passengers entering
into the Colony during the 24
hours ended at 9 a.m. yesterday
were 1,591, of which 1,089 were
from British steamers.There were altogether only 6 ar-
rivals, of which 3 were of British
registry, the remainder being of
other nationalities, while of the
5 departures, only one was British
ship, the rest being of other
different countries. Particulars as
follows:-

Nationality	Ships	Tonnage
British	3	4,100
Dutch	1	880
French	2	800
Total	6	5,880

SHIPS IN HARBOUR

WHARVES

Holt's—Ajax.
A.P.C.—North Point—Chang On.
Douglas Lapraik—Hai Yang and
Seistan.

DOCKS.

Kowloon—Argus, Hop Sang and
Emp. of Russia.
Talkoo—H.M.S. Phoenix, Tat-
suta Maru, Tsinan, Anshun and
Yolande.

BUOYS.

No. A2—Tai Ping.
No. A3—Tybadak.
No. A5—Hong Sang.
No. A8—Changte.
No. A12—Unita.
No. A13—Jinkai Maru.
No. B3—Kwelyang.
No. B4—Tai Suen Hong.
No. B5—Lyemmoon.
No. B6—Szechuen.
No. B8—Yuen Sang.
No. B10—Yuan On.
No. B11—Prosper.
No. B12—Helios.
No. B13—Solvik.
No. B16—Tai Yuan.
No. B17—Tai Poo Sek.
No. B25—Haruna Maru.
No. C1—Prominent.
No. C5—Minowo Maru.Par, Mr. and Mrs. Kong Shain And
and three children, Mrs. Liang Li
Shih, Mrs. Woo Yin Kee with child
and infant, Brother J. B. Connolly,
Mr. and Mrs. E. W. G. Malcolm.

ARRIVALS

17TH FEBRUARY, 1936.

Delagoa Maru, Japanese steamer,
7,148 tons, Capt. H. Kannuchi,
from Yokohama via Shanghai,
buoy No. A1—N. Y. K.Hal Lee, Norwegian steamer, 2,180
tons, Captain T. Davidson,
from Hoihow, buoy No. B6—
Thoresen & Co.Hong Sang, British steamer, 2,274
tons, Captain J. H. Gregory,
from Swatow, buoy No. A5—
Ho Thong & Co.Kwangchow, British steamer, 1,572
tons, Captain E. H. Histed,
from Bangkok via Swatow,
buoy No. B14—Butterfield and
Swire.Hydrangea, British steamer, 561
tons, Captain P. W. Grierson,
from Canton, Chiu On Wharf—
Chiu On & Co.16TH FEBRUARY, 1936.
Tai Poo Sek, French steamer, 1,219
tons, Captain J. Bonnamour,
from K. C. Wan, buoy No. B17.
—Tai Fung & Co.Tai Suen Hong, French steamer,
1,298 tons, Captain Luigi, from
Pakhoi via Hoihow, buoy No.
B4—Kwong Lee.Tai Ping, Norwegian steamer, 3,888
tons, Captain R. Johansen,
from Manila, buoy No. A2—
Dodwell & Co.

CLEARANCES

17TH FEBRUARY, 1936.

Kaituma, for Port Redon
Tai Ping, for Shanghai
Hydrangea, for Swatow
Tai Yuan, for Canton
Yuen Sang, for Singapore
Jinkai Maru, for Hongay
Tikembang, for Amoy
Ajax, for Shanghai
Anshun, for Singapore

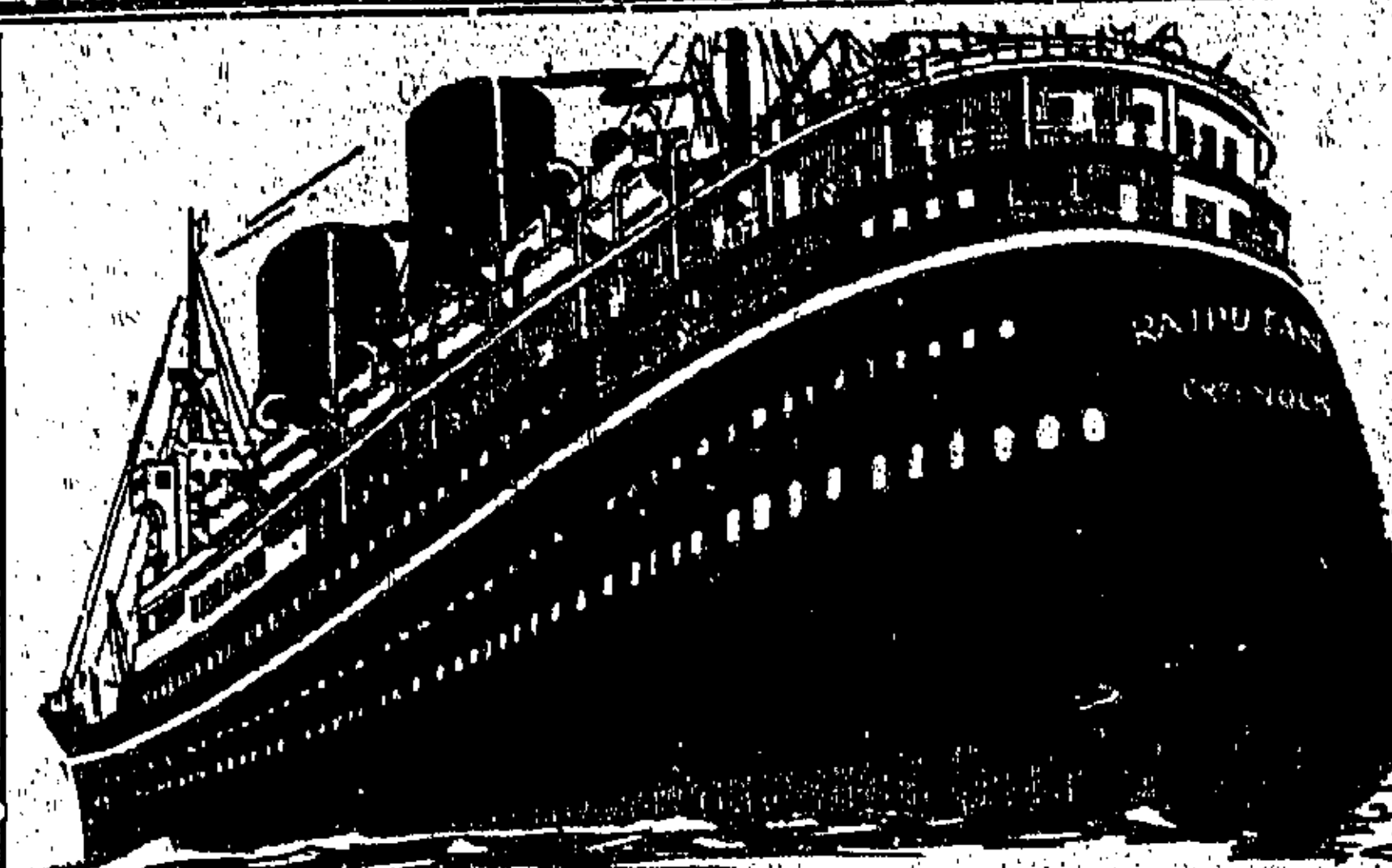
SHIPPING MOVEMENTS

The P. & O. s.s. "Corta"
left Singapore for this port on the
15th instant at noon with the
outward English Mails, and is due
here to-morrow at about 5 p.m.The B.I. and Apar steam ship
"Santia" left Singapore for this
port on the 13th instant, and is
due here to-day at about 1 p.m.

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